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Sharing lands top prize at Renaissance Awards

By Tom LaMarra

The Maryland-bred filly Sharing and her connections took home top honors during the third Renaissance Awards dinner at which the Maryland racing and breeding community recognized excellence in 2019.

The event, Feb. 11 at the Guinness Open Gate Brewery outside Baltimore, celebrated the achievements of human participants and Maryland-bred horses. It was launched in 2018 as a cooperative venture among the Maryland Horse Breeders Association, Maryland Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association and Maryland Jockey Club, the three organizations that have partnered to move the industry forward in the state.

Sharing, owned by Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Gainesway Stable, was voted Horse of the Year, champion turf runner and champion 2-year-old filly. Bred by Sagamore Farm, she won three of four starts last year including the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf-G1 at Santa Anita Park and the Selima Stakes at Laurel Park.

"We're super-excited about her," said Brian Spearman of Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, which purchased Sharing for \$350,000 at the Fasig-Tipton New York Saratoga yearling sale. "Thank



you Maryland for recognizing her. Winning here in Maryland was special. We're hoping for a fantastic 2020 with her."

After Sharing, by Speightstown out of the Pleasantly Perfect mare Shared Account, broke her maiden at Saratoga Race Course on dirt in her second start, her connections decided to try her in the \$200,000 Selima on the grass. Trainer Graham Motion said the \$100,000 increase in the purse for the Laurel stakes was the deciding factor.

"I can't say enough about the Maryland Jockey Club

raising the purse of the Selima," Motion said. "That is why we went there, and that is how we got to the Breeders' Cup with her. It's an incredibly exciting time in Maryland with more exciting times ahead."

Hunter Rankin, president of Sagamore Farm, said the decision to sell Sharing wasn't an easy one.

"I'd be lying not saying this is a little bittersweet, but we chose to sell her," Rankin said. "Aron Wellman (of Eclipse) offered me a little piece and I said, 'No.' Well, that was smart. But what a



Sharing

2019 Maryland-bred
Horse of the Year
Champion 2-Year-Old Filly
Champion Turf Horse

Ch.f., 2017, by Speightstown—Shared Account,
by Pleasantly Perfect. Bred by Sagamore Farm.
Owned by Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners and Gainesway
Stable (Antony Beck). Trained by H. Graham Motion.
Foaled at Sagamore Farm, Glyndon.

\$1,000,000

Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf-G1

\$200,000 Selima

special filly she is. I'm very proud of our staff responsible for the whole thing, and thanks for recognizing her."

Sagamore Farm, the leading breeder of Maryland-breds by earnings in 2019, won the Breeder of the Year award. Horses bred by the farm earned more than \$2 million.

"Maryland is a special place," Rankin said. "We're in Florida in the winter and we go to Kentucky, but we're based here—this is home. I'd like to echo what Graham said earlier: What happens in Maryland is very important."

In other awards, Great Notion, who sired 55 winners and accounted for \$3.1 million in earnings last year, was selected Stallion of the Year. His top earner was No Guts No Glory Farm's Anna's Bandit, who won nine of 11 starts, seven stakes. Great Notion stands at Northview Stallion Station, which is owned by Richard Golden.

"We'd like to thank all the breeders in the state—they deserve the credit for this award," said Golden's son, Michael. "We'd also like to thank all the people at Northview."

The Broodmare of the Year award went to Taft Lil Queen, owned by Charles and Cynthia McGinnes. By Irish Open, Taft Lil Queen is the dam of nine winners from nine foals, including four stakes winners and one stakes-placed runner. Her final foal, Pete's Play Call, won the Bonapaw Stakes at Fair Grounds last year.

"She was more than well-deserved of this honor and we appreciate it very much," Charles McGinnes, who owns Thornmar Farm with his wife.

The champion 2-year-old male of 2019 was Laddie Li-

am, a Golden Lad colt owned by Joe Besecker and trained by Hugh McMahon. Laddie Liam, bred by Hillwood Stables, won three of five starts including his final race of the year, the Maryland Juvenile Futurity.

Purchased by Besecker as a yearling for \$14,500 at the 2018 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic December mixed sale, Laddie Liam brought \$450,000 from DJ Stables at the same auction a few days after his Juvenile Futurity victory. The colt was part of Besecker's dispersal, and is training in New York with Gary Contessa.



The team behind Sharing (from left) trainer Graham Motion, Brian Spearman of Eclipse Thoroughbreds and Hunter Rankin of Sagamore Farm accept the awards for Horse of the Year, champion 2-year-old filly and champion turf horse of 2019.



The team behind the campaign of champion 2-year-old Laddie Liam accept the prizes (from left) Veronica Singleton, Jeff Matty Jr., Hugh McMahon and (right) Barry Duncan, along with Northview Stallion Station's Paul O'Loughlin.



Jim McCue



Laddie Liam

2019 Maryland-bred
Champion 2-Year-Old Male

*B.c., 2017, by Golden Lad—Buffgirl, by Quiet American.
Bred by Hillwood Stables.*

*Owned by Joseph E. Besecker. Trained by Hugh I. McMahon.
Foaled at Dark Hollow Farm, Upperco.*

**\$100,000 Maryland Juvenile Futurity
3rd Maryland Million Nursery**

"It's a bittersweet moment that he's not with us anymore," McMahon said.

Alwaysmining, owned by Runnymore Racing and trained by Kelly Rubley, was voted champion 3-year-old male based on three stakes victories that landed him a berth in the Preakness Stakes-G1. Bred by Poppet Pitts, the gelding by Stay Thirsty returned later in 2019 to finish second in the Native Dancer Stakes at Laurel and

seemed poised for a productive 4-year-old year.

Las Setas, the champion 3-year-old filly owned by Wayne Harrison, Bob Manfuso and trainer Katy Voss, won three early stakes before racing in the Black-Eyed Susan-G2. Bred by Manfuso and Voss, Las Setas, by Seville (Ger) out of the Polish Numbers mare Tanca, returned late in 2019 after a break.

Manfuso and Voss also bred Cordmaker, voted

champion older male based on three stakes wins and a close third in the Pimlico Special-G3. Trained by Rodney Jenkins for Hillwood Stable, the son of Curlin is a half-brother to Las Setas—giving Tanca two champions.

Ellen Charles' Hillwood Stable, which won the Maryland Owner of the Year award, co-owns with Richard Golden the older female champion of 2019, Majestic Reason. Bred by Golden's Sycamore

Hall Thoroughbreds, the daughter of Majestic Warrior earned \$201,892 last year with a stakes victory and a third in the Gallant Bloom Handicap-G2 at Belmont Park. She is trained by Graham Motion.

Hillwood accounted for 75 starts, 92 percent of them in Maryland, and \$765,528 in earnings in 2019.

"I'd like to thank the trainers and the entire staff who made all of this possible last year," said Eveline Kjelstrup,

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Jim McCue



Alwaysmining

2019 Maryland-bred
Champion 3-Year-Old Male

*Dk.b./br.g., 2016, by Stay Thirsty—What Will Be, by Anees.
Bred by Avla Pitts.*

*Owned by Runnymore Racing. Trained by Kelly Rubley.
Foaled at Hitchcock Plains, Fallston.*

\$125,000 Federico Tesio

\$100,000 Miracle Wood

\$100,000 Private Terms

2nd Native Dancer

3rd Easy Goer



Jim McCue



Las Setas

2019 Maryland-bred
Champion 3-Year-Old Filly

*B.f., 2016, by Seville (Ger)—Tanca, by Polish Numbers.
Bred by Robert T. Manfuso and Katharine M. Voss.
Owned by Wayne A. Harrison, Robert T. Manfuso and
Katharine M. Voss. Trained by Katharine M. Voss.
Foaled at Chanceland Farm, West Friendship.*

\$125,000 Weber City Miss
\$100,000 Wide Country
\$100,000 Beyond the Wire

the assistant to Jenkins who accepted the award on behalf of Hillwood Stable.

The award for champion sprinter went to Lewisfield, trained by Jeff Runco for owner/breeder Linda Zang. The son of Great Notion won two stakes at Laurel and finished third in the Maryland Sprint Stakes-G3. The gelding raced eight times, all in stakes.

Mike Trombetta, based at Laurel and the Fair Hill Training Center, was voted Maryland Trainer of the Year. His

trainees won 62 races in Maryland in 2019 and another 40 around the United States and in Canada. Trombetta's Maryland stakes winners were Oldies But Goodies, English Minister, My Sistersledge, Newstome and Bella Aurora.

Wet Your Whistle, a Laurel allowance race winner, went on to win the Highlander Stakes, a Canadian Grade 1 at Woodbine. Trombetta trains the top 3-year-old Independence Hall, winner of the Nashua Stakes-G3 last fall and

the Jerome Stakes in January at Aqueduct Racetrack.

"We couldn't do all this without owners who trust our ability and staff members who work so hard to make our horses the best they can be," he said.

The Jockey of the Year prize went to Trevor McCarthy, who won 170 races at Maryland tracks last year and 253 overall. He spent many of Maryland's dark days at Delaware Park, where he finished third with 46 wins.

McCarthy won 14 stakes in Maryland with 14 horses including the General George-G3 at Laurel with Uncontested.

"I'd like to congratulate all the finalists and give a huge shout-out to all the jockeys who are great competitors," McCarthy said. "I'd like to thank my agent, Scott Silver, and all the owners, trainers and backstretch workers. I'm very privileged."

The slate of candidates for the owner, trainer and jock-

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Cordmaker

2019 Maryland-bred
Champion Older Male

*Ch.g., 2015, by Curlin—Tanca, by Polish Numbers.
Bred by Robert T. Manfuso and Katharine M. Voss.
Owned by Hillwood Stable. Trained by Rodney Jenkins.
Foaled at Chanceland Farm, West Friendship.*

\$100,000 Harrison E. Johnson Memorial
\$100,000 Polynesian
\$75,000 DTHA Governors Day
3rd Pimlico Special-G3



Majestic Reason

2019 Maryland-bred
Champion Older Female

B.m., 2015, by Majestic Warrior—Love's Reason,
by Not For Love.

Bred by Sycamore Hall Thoroughbreds and Ellen Charles.

Owned by Hillwood Stable and Richard L. Golden.

Trained by H. Graham Motion.

Foaled at Sycamore Hall, Chesapeake City.

\$100,000 Willa On the Move

2nd Politely

3rd Gallant Bloom-G2

Jim McCue

ey awards is prepared by the MTHA Board of Directors and is based on level of participation in Maryland. The categories are then voted upon by an independent panel of media members and racing officials, as are the individual Maryland-bred equine divisional categories administered by the MHBA.

The MTHA each year also accepts nominations for Backstretch Worker of the Year awards, one for Pimlico and one for Laurel, which are

presented at the Renaissance Awards dinner.

Urizar "Uri" Velazquez, who works for trainer Brandon McFarlane, is the Backstretch Employee of the Year for Pimlico. The 27-year-old native of Mexico is known for his passion for horses and those who work with them, and for assisting his colleagues in times of need. He is enrolled at Howard Community College where he takes courses in English, grammar and history.

"I thank God for being here tonight," Velazquez said. "I thank every single one of you guys who made this happen. I really appreciate it."

Troy Singh, the Backstretch Employee of the Year for Laurel, is the primary assistant for leading trainer Claudio Gonzalez. The 38-year-old native of Guyana started in the business as an owner and decided he wanted to work with the horses in the stable area.

Singh oversees the grooms who work for Gonzalez's

60-horse operation at Laurel and steps in when all the grooms aren't available.

"It's a lot of hard work but it's very fulfilling when you win a race," he said.

Proceeds from ticket sales for awards night support the Maryland Horse Industry Foundation, the Beyond The Wire Thoroughbred aftercare program, and the Maryland Racing Media Association, which partners with other industry organizations to provide educational scholarships.

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Lewisfield

2019 Maryland-bred
Champion Sprinter

B.g., 2014, by Great Notion—Smart Crowd, by Crowd Pleaser.

Bred and owned by Linda L. Zang. Trained by Jeff C. Runco.

Foaled at Willowdale Farm, Butler.

\$75,000 Not For Love

\$75,000 Howard and Sondra Bender Memorial

2nd Chesapeake, Frank Whiteley Jr.

3rd Maryland Sprint-G3,

Maryland Million Sprint

Jim McCue

2019 MHBA Stallion of the Year: GREAT NOTION

Great Notion sealed his fourth consecutive Maryland Stallion of the Year title by leading the state's stallions in 2019 earnings, winners and wins. Now 20, the son of Elusive Quality had year-end earnings exceeding \$3 million for a second consecutive year, was the sire of Anna's Bandit, tied for the winningest horse in the U.S. and a seven-time stakes winner last year, and got his sixth Maryland-bred champion when son Lewisfield took top sprinter honors.

Great Notion has made his career at Northview Stallion Station in Chesapeake City, and is the sire of 26 stakes winners lifetime. Anna's Bandit became his richest runner after winning nine of 11 starts in 2019. In the midst of a six-race win streak she captured



Michael Golden accepts Great Notion's Stallion of the Year award on behalf of Northview.

the West Virginia "Cavada" Breeders Classic and Maryland Million Distaff in a one week span.

Great Notion sired 94 runners last year, the earners of \$3,195,902 for an average of \$33,999 per runner. His 55 winners won 103 races. 🐾

2019 MHBA Broodmare of the Year: TAFT LIL QUEEN

The dam of nine winners from nine foals, five stakes performers, Taft Lil Queen has left a lasting mark as the dam of two Maryland-bred champions and a million-dollar sales horse. She is the 2019 Maryland Broodmare of the Year.

Owned by Charles and Cynthia McGinnes her entire broodmare career, from 2001 until her death in 2015, Taft Lil Queen was represented in 2019 by stakes winner and \$407,156 earner Pete's Play Call, her final foal.

The McGinneses purchased the stakes-winning daughter of Irish Open from an Adena Springs sale in 2001 for \$48,000 while carrying her first foal. Her second foal was El Viento (by El Corredor), a multiple stakes winner and champion 2-year-old colt in Puerto Rico and co-champion Maryland-bred 2-year-old male of 2005.

When bred twice to leading Maryland sire Not For Love, she produced the multiple stakes-placed \$203,805-earner The Prince, and the stakes-winning juvenile filly For Royalty. Sold as a yearling in the name of the McGinneses' Thornmar farm for

Sharing was one of three stakes winners bred by Sagamore last year.

Graded stakes-winning Blamed, the Maryland-bred champion 3-year-old filly of 2018, returned to take the Royal Delta Stakes-G3 at Gulfstream Park in one of her two starts in 2019. Sagamore



Charlie and Cynthia McGinnes accept the Broodmare of the Year prize for Taft Lil Queen.

\$250,000, a record price for a horse sold by the breeders, For Royalty has since gone on to become a prized broodmare, bringing \$2.1 million at the Keeneland November sale in 2017. She is the dam of four stakes performers from five to race, led by Grade 1-winning filly Constellation, who sold at the 2018 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky fall sale for \$3.15 million. All five of her offspring to go through the auction ring have brought six figures.

The most accomplished of Taft Lil Queen's runners is four-time stakes winner and Grade 1-placed Kiss to Remember (by Big Brown), the champion Maryland-bred older female of 2015 and 2016. She sold as a broodmare prospect for \$500,000 in the fall of 2016 and is now in Japan; her 2019 colt by Deep Impact was an \$864,800 weanling.

Another of Taft Lil Queen's daughters, winner Kiss the Breeze (by Kafwain), is the dam of stakes winner Kiss the Daddy. 🐾

homebred Where Paradise Lay won his stakes debut last August in the Star de Naskra for 3-year-old Maryland-breds at Laurel.

Sagamore-bred runners made 219 starts in 2019, won 34, with 36 seconds and 36 thirds, and earned more than \$2 million. 🐾

2019 MHBA Breeder of the Year: SAGAMORE FARM



The Sagamore team of (from left) Hunter Rankin, Jocelyn Brooks, Jose Vega, Debbie Moorefield, Carolyn Johnson and Jon Passero accept the Breeder of the Year prize.

Sagamore Farm led all breeders of Maryland-breds by earnings in 2019, with a big boost provided by 2019 Maryland-bred Horse of the Year, champion 2-year-old filly

and champion turf runner Sharing. The winner of the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf-G1 and two other races in four starts, the Speightstown filly earned \$730,300.

For voting purposes in the racehorse categories, included were a list of all Maryland-breds that won stakes (excluding starter handicaps) worth \$50,000 or more in 2019, the top earners by category, and any graded stakes-placed runners. Write-in votes were accepted. All Maryland-bred champions and finalists for owner/trainer/jockey are voted on by local media and Maryland racing officials.

The MHBA board votes in the breeder, stallion and broodmare categories.



Left photo: Assistant trainer Eveline Kjelstrup (left) and co-breeder Katy Voss accept champion older male Cordmaker's trophies. Right photo: Joe Cassidy and Lesley Rosen Berman represent owners Runnymore Racing and 3-year-old champion Alwaysmining.



The connections of Las Setas (from left) Bob Manfuso, Katy Voss and Wayne Harrison accept the 3-year-old filly trophies.



Champion older female Majestic Reason's people (from left) Graham Motion, Eveline Kjelstrup and Michael Golden.



Trainer of the Year Mike Trombetta flanked by his wife Flossie (left) and assistant Tana Verge.



Victor Carrasco and Eveline Kjelstrup stand in for Hillwood Stable.



Jockey of the Year Trevor McCarthy.

Jerry Dzierwinski (7)

Maryland-bred Championship Voting

Leading horses (with total points on 5-3-1 system)

2-year-old male

Laddie Liam (69)
Monday Morning Qb (67)
Ournationonparade (25)
So Street (13)

2-year-old filly

Sharing (98)
Hello Beautiful (56)
Selflessly (15)

3-year-old male

Alwaysmining (92)
Top Line Growth (57)
Stranger Danger (14)

3-year-old filly

Las Setas (87)
Zonda (54)
Introduced (29)

Older male

Cordmaker (91)
Just Howard (27)
Clubman (26)
Lewisfield (11)

Older female

Majestic Reason (68)
Another Broad (49)
Blamed (35)
Rocky Policy (10)

Sprinter

Lewisfield (58)
Taco Supream (28)
Laki (24)
Clubman (23)
Majestic Reason (18)
Cordmaker (10)
Hello Beautiful (10)

Turf

Sharing (76)
Just Howard (43)
Beach View (18)
English Minister (13)

Horse of the year

Sharing (100)
Cordmaker (28)
Alwaysmining (22)
Hello Beautiful (13)

All horses with at least 10 points listed. Selections were made by *Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred* editors Joe Clancy and Cindy Deubler and senior writers Sean Clancy and Tom Law, Maryland Jockey Club vice president of racing development Georganne Hale, racing secretary Chris Merz, stakes coordinator Coleman Blind, track announcer Dave Rodman and racing analysts Tim Tullock and Ty Ehliis, Keith Feustle of *Equibase*, *THAracing.com* managing editor Tom LaMarra, freelance writers Andy Beyer, Ted Black, Maggie Kimmitt, Vinnie Perrone, John Scheinman and Dan Tordjiman, *The Racing Biz* publisher Frank Vespe, photographer Lydia Williams and WBAL NewsRadio reporter Scott Wykoff.

Racing bill plays a big part in Horse Industry Day in Annapolis

By Tom LaMarra



Maryland Horse Industry Day participants listen to presentations from Secretary of Agriculture Joe Bartenfelder and Secretary of the Department of Commerce Kelly Schulz and other state officials about the importance of the horse industry to the state. Jay Griswold (left), a driving force behind the Fair Hill 5 Star and race-course reconstruction and Senate president emeritus Mike Miller were on hand as well.

Maryland Secretary of Agriculture Joe Bartenfelder was the first state government official or lawmaker to speak to the large group assembled Jan. 22 in Annapolis for Maryland Horse Industry Day. And his comments set the tone for what is a key year for the equine business in the state.

"Probably the most important thing you can do today is to tell legislators how important the horse industry is in the state of Maryland," Bartenfelder said.

The most recent figures estimate the industry's annual economic impact at \$1.3 billion, with the racing and breeding sector contributing almost \$600 million. In 2020 the Maryland 5 Star, an evening national championship, will be held at Fair Hill for the first time, and on the racing side, legislation that would set the tone for the next 30 years is making its way through the General Assembly.

"The last 10 years have seen a coming together of the [horse] industry," said Kelly Schulz, secretary of the Department of Commerce. "It's about the Preakness but also now Fair Hill. It shows we can come together. The [Commerce Department] is focused on economic development—what you do is an attraction for outside interests to come to Maryland."

Tiffany Robinson, secretary of the Department of Labor, said her department and the Commerce Department are collaborating more than ever before. The Maryland Racing Commission now falls under Robinson's purview.

"This industry is crucial to our economy in Maryland," she said. "We work very closely with (MRC Executive Director) Mike Hopkins. The racing commission passed new standards for horse safety that we are thrilled about."

The MRC in December passed numerous rules and regulations related to medication reform and racehorse health and safety. The medication changes, which took effect Feb. 1, have been adopted by many other states in the Mid-Atlantic and will be in place when various race meets begin this year.

Anne Arundel County Executive Steuart Pittman, who attended Horse Industry Day, noted there has been "push back" over the past year in regard to public perception of Thoroughbred racing. Most of the MRC regulations are the result of about a year of discussion and planning.

"We want to make sure Maryland is ahead of other states, and it already is close to being there," Pittman said. "Maryland is a national leader, and it's important to re-

duce [catastrophic injuries in racing]."

"I'm glad racing is doing very well," said Sen. Adelaide Eckardt, who represents an Eastern Shore district. "We want to make sure the business is robust in Maryland and will do what we can to see that it grows."

To that end, Alan Foreman, legal counsel for the Maryland Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association and chairman of the THA, provided a historical perspective and outlined the legislation pending in the General Assembly that would use industry-dedicated resources to fund rebuilds of Pimlico Race Course and Laurel Park. The bill, called the Racing and Community Development Act, was introduced in the Senate and House of Delegates in early February.

The projects are expected to cost a combined \$375 million and be paid for through bonds based upon existing racing-related video lottery terminal funds and state lottery money. The plan keeps the Preakness Stakes at Pimlico and transfers the land on which the track sits to the city of Baltimore. The front-side facility at Laurel and the entire stable area would be rebuilt.

"What has happened in Maryland racing over the last eight years has been nothing

less than staggering," Foreman said. "We pulled together and rebuilt this industry, but one problem wasn't solved: Pimlico. We didn't expect to see a day when we could build brand new facilities in Maryland. The transformation of (the Pimlico property) will be spectacular."

"Go to your delegates and let them know how important this is (to racing's future). We're just the current generation carrying this forward."

In regard to equine health and safety, the Racing and Community Development Act leads off with language mandating that the MRC establish an advisory committee to oversee equine health, safety and welfare initiatives. The committee would consist of three MRC members, a representative of the state's racing licensees, a horsemen's representative, a breeders' representative, the MRC equine medical director and "any other individual with expertise in equine or racing industries."

The advisory committee would make recommendations to the MRC, which would submit an annual report on the committee's activities.

Maryland Horse Industry Day is organized by Grow and Fortify, which advocates for value-added agricultural organizations and related

businesses. As part of Horse Industry Day, it arranges morning meetings between equine industry stakeholders and lawmakers from their districts. A large number of lawmakers stopped by to speak during the forum and awards part of the program.

Said Maryland Horse Breeders Association President Dr. Michael Harrison: "This event is so special because of participation. Without this community coming together, we wouldn't have the voice that we carry here."

David Brinkley, secretary of the Department of Budget and Management, touted the value of the equine industry and its positive impact on the state.

"You come to Annapolis, hear concerns, and share voices," Brinkley said. "The agriculture industry as a whole is the largest in Maryland, and the equine industry is half of that if not more. It's so important to the industry in

MHIB president Jim Steele and Anne Arundel County Executive Stuart Pittman presented Touch of Class awards to Amy Burk and Alison O'Dwyer.

concept that you keep open property—it's the best agriculture program someone can have. People love to see open space.

"[Gov. Larry Hogan] loves the agriculture community. He wants the Maryland 5 Star to be a key event. We try to take all the priorities people have and weave them into the budget. It's incumbent on you to communicate with your legislators—and not just today."

The Maryland Horse Industry Board presented two Touch of Class awards as part of the day. One went to Dr. Amy Burk of the University of Maryland, the other to Alison O'Dwyer, who guided Fifth Ace to a dressage award at the Retired Racehorse Project's Thoroughbred Makeover in Kentucky last October. 🐾



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Dr. Michael Odian appointed Maryland state veterinarian

The Maryland Secretary of Agriculture appointed Dr. Michael Odian as the new state veterinarian. The position had remained vacant since Dr. Michael Radebaugh retired from his post less than a year ago.

"We are thrilled to have Dr. Odian join the department and lead our Animal Health Program," said Maryland Agriculture Secretary Joseph Bartenfelder. "His experience in the veterinary field and extensive knowledge of equine medicine will be a huge asset to the program and the State of Maryland."

Dr. Odian, who has been practicing veterinary medicine for nearly 25 years, owns and operates a general equine practice focusing on sport

horse medicine in Carroll County. His clients include many of the top competition horses in the state, from Grand Prix jumpers and Circuit Show hunters to World Champion Western reining horses. He also breeds, raises, and shows Percheron draft horses.

Additionally, Dr. Odian has served as a testing veterinarian for the National Steeplechase Association; a sale veterinarian for the Pennsylvania Draft Horse Sale/Keystone Draft Horse Sale; and a staff veterinarian for the Horse World Expo. He was president of the Maryland Draft Horse and Mule Association and is a current member of the Maryland Horse Industry Board, the American Association of Equine Practitioners, the

American Veterinary Medical Association, the International Society of Equine Locomotive Pathology, and the Pennsylvania Veterinary Medical Association.

Dr. Odian received his Bachelor's degree in Animal Science from Cornell University and earned his veterinary degree at the Atlantic Veterinary College at the University of Prince Edward Island in Canada. He formerly served as the track veterinarian for the Thistledown Thoroughbred track and the Northfields Park Standardbred track in Ohio before moving to Maryland in 2003.

"I sincerely thank Dr. Nancy Jo Chapman, assistant state veterinarian, for the outstanding job she has done serving

the department as acting state veterinarian during this transition period," said Secretary Bartenfelder. "Dr. Chapman's willingness to step up and lead the Animal Health Program during an extremely busy year is a tribute to her dedication to the department and her passion for the health of Maryland's animals."

The department's Animal Health Program works to prevent and control infectious and contagious diseases in Maryland livestock and poultry with particular emphasis on those diseases that threaten public health, endanger food supplies, or threaten the economic security of the animal industries. In addition to a sizable field staff, the section has two veterinary diagnostic laboratories in Salisbury and Frederick. 🐾



MARYLAND FUND REPORT

Bonuses paid for races at Maryland tracks
December 1 to December 31, 2019

Maryland Juvenile Filly Championship Stakes

December 7. Purse \$100,000-guaranteed. For 2-year-old fillies, registered Maryland-bred or Maryland sired. 7 fur. 8 competed. (Closed with 18 nominations.) Winner: HELLO BEAUTIFUL, by Golden Lad. Breeder bonus: Hillwood Stables LLC (\$9,000). Stallion bonus: Golden Lad Syndicate (\$3,000). Second: MISS J MCKAY, by Hangover Kid. Breeder bonus: Linda Oliff Rohleder (\$3,000). Stallion bonus: Hangover Kid Syndicate (\$1,000). Third: NAUGHTY THOUGHTS, by The Factor. Breeder bonus: Maryland Mare Venture LLC (\$1,500). Stallion bonus: None.

Maryland Juvenile Futurity

December 7. Purse \$100,000-guaranteed. For 2-year-olds, registered Maryland-bred or Maryland sired. 7 fur. 6 competed. (Closed with 17 nominations.) Winner: LADDIE LIAM, by Golden Lad. Breeder bonus: Hillwood Stables LLC (\$9,000). Stallion bonus: Golden Lad Syndicate (\$3,000). Second: STONE COURAGEOUS, by Bourbon Courage. Breeder bonus: Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Smith (\$3,000). Stallion bonus: Bourbon Courage Syndicate (\$1,000). Third: TOMMY SHELBY, by Super Ninety Nine. Breeder bonus: Country Life Farm and Moon Map Broodmare LLC (\$1,500). Stallion bonus: Country Life Farm and Spendthrift (\$500).

Howard and Sondra Bender Stakes

December 7. Purse \$75,000-guaranteed. For 3-year-olds and up, registered Maryland-bred or Maryland sired. 6 fur. 7 competed. (Closed with 17 nominations.) Winner: LEWISFIELD, by Great Notion. Breeder bonus: Linda Zang (\$6,750). Stallion bonus: Great Notion Syndicate (\$2,250). Second: STILL HAVING FUN, by Old Fashioned. Breeder bonus:

Thornmar Farm and Tim Keefe (\$2,250). Stallion bonus: None. Third: CLUBMAN, by Not For Love. Breeder bonus: Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman, Quin Bowman and Rebecca Davis (\$1,125). Stallion bonus: Not For Love Syndicate (\$375).

Politely Stakes

December 7. Purse \$75,000-guaranteed. For 3-year-olds and up, fillies and mares, registered Maryland-bred or Maryland sired. 6 fur. 5 competed. (Closed with 12 nominations.) Winner: West Virginia-bred by Great Notion. Second: MAJESTIC REASON, by Majestic Warrior. Breeder bonus: Sycamore Hall Thoroughbreds LLC and Ellen Charles (\$2,250). Stallion bonus: None. Third: THREE HAWK, by Violence. Breeder bonus: Edward N. Williams and Mike Mattese (\$1,125). Stallion bonus: None.

Breeder bonuses

Linda Albert and Thomas Baldwin—KOSHER KONTRACT: Dec. 15, 2nd race, \$627.
Anchor and Hope Farm Inc.—OLIVE'S BUMPA: Dec. 6, 3rd race, \$1,764. ON THE TURF: Dec. 26, 7th race, \$2,079. SOLEA: Dec. 15, 1st race, \$1,386. TWO SHOTS: Dec. 26, 9th race, \$5,643. (\$10,872)
Barak Farm—AWESOME AT RIEDES: Dec. 6, 1st race, \$3,078. LET'S PLAY NINE: Dec. 28, 2nd race, \$7,182. NINE MARTINIS: Dec. 14, 3rd race, \$1,449. (\$11,709)
Karen Benschoff and Ronald Benschoff—MARYLANDER: Dec. 8, 3rd race, \$726.
Best A Luck Farm LLC—MY FRIENDS BEER: Dec. 14, 2nd race, \$2,520.
Bonita Farm—CALYPSO GHOST: Dec. 15, 6th race, \$3,078; Dec. 26, 2nd race, \$1,449. (\$4,527)
William T. Bourne—KNEESINTHEBREEZE: Dec. 20, 6th race, \$1,089.
Bowman and Higgins Stable—CONGRESS HALL: Dec. 8, 5th race, \$1,134.
Bowman and Higgins Stable and Cary Frommer—MONDAY MORNING QB: Dec. 28, 7th race, \$9,000.
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman—TOM TERRIFIC: Dec. 6, 9th race, \$1,134.
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman and Adena Springs—MICE AND MEN: Dec. 13, 9th race, \$957.
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman, Quin Bowman and Rebecca Davis—CLUBMAN: Dec. 7, 8th race, \$1,125.
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman and Rebecca Davis—GREAT GO GO: Dec. 13, 1st race, \$3,762.

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman, Rebecca Davis and Adena Springs—ONE TWO THREE GO: Dec. 7, 2nd race, \$2,205; Dec. 29, 5th race, \$957. (\$3,162)
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman, Dutrow Thoroughbred Ent and Rebecca Davis—EASY RIVER: Dec. 6, 5th race, \$1,155; Dec. 20, 9th race, \$594. (\$1,749)
Bowman and Higgins Stable—DREAMING OF LOVE: Dec. 6, 6th race, \$1,890. (\$3,024)
Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman and R. Larry Johnson—ALWAYS TALKING: Dec. 26, 2nd race, \$3,933. UP AGAINST IT: Dec. 15, 9th race, \$4,617. (\$8,550)
Shellaine Brown, Susan Baldrige, Horseshoe Valley and Treasure Stable—GOING TO THE LEAD: Dec. 20, 7th race, \$1,764.
James Edwin Bryant and Linda Page Davis—PEARL GEM: Dec. 13, 5th race, \$1,827.
Buckingham Farm—I LOVE YOU: Dec. 8, 4th race, \$759.
Deborah Butts—MARIE FROM PARIE: Dec. 20, 3rd race, \$1,197.
Candyland Farm—GALILEAN MOON: Dec. 1, 5th race, \$2,520. ROCK THE COMET: Dec. 27, 4th race, \$5,643. (\$8,163)
A. G. Chaudry—PITCHING ARI: Dec. 26, 3rd race, \$5,643.
Sherman Chin—IMAGINE WINNING: Dec. 6, 6th race, \$990.
Christ is King Stable—YES MAN: Dec. 7, 1st race, \$726.
Patricia Clark and Pamela Arnold—PAUL THE WAITER: Dec. 20, 1st race, \$3,078.
Clover Hill Farm Inc.—ONCE IN A LIFETIME: Dec. 14, 1st race, \$825. ONEMOREGREAT-TIME: Dec. 7, 4th race, \$7,695. (\$8,520)
Copper Penny Stables LLC—TRIFOR GOLD: Dec. 7, 5th race, \$1,155.
Cordelia Stables LLC—GOOD LUCK LEGACY: Dec. 27, 4th race, \$1,089.
Country Life Farm—LIQUID HERO: Dec. 6, 2nd race, \$2,565; Dec. 22, 5th race, \$495. MAYAN QUEEN: Dec. 1, 8th race, \$1,089. TAPPAHANNOCK: Dec. 21, 4th race, \$3,762. (\$7,911)
Country Life Farm and Fifteen Moons LLC—LUNAR RILLE: Dec. 14, 7th race, \$1,155.
Country Life Farm and Fleet and Fancy LLC—FORFIFTYFIVEROCKET: Dec. 6, 6th race, \$5,130; Dec. 27, 6th race, \$5,130. (\$10,260)
Country Life Farm and Mrs. J.W.Y. Martin Jr.—EARNED IT: Dec. 8, 7th race, \$693; Dec. 21, 7th race, \$3,078. (\$3,771)
Country Life Farm and Moon Map Broodmare LLC—TOMMY SHELBY: Dec. 7, 7th race, \$1,500; Dec. 26, 7th race, \$1,089. (\$2,589)
Country Roads Ltd.—TAPDANCING GIRL: Dec. 15, 1st race, \$726. WINSTON'S WAY: Dec. 13, 1st race, \$1,386. (\$2,112)
Mike Dalton LLC—CONJECTURE: Dec. 21, 8th race, \$2,835.
Dark Hollow Farm—POPIZAR: Dec. 6, 5th race, \$5,985. SECURITY BREACH: Dec. 21, 9th race, \$1,320. (\$7,305)
Dark Hollow Farm and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Davidov—COMBAT QUEEN: Dec. 26, 1st race, \$5,643.
Dragon's Lair Farm LLC—LIMITED VIEW: Dec. 21, 8th race, \$7,695.
Alice Edwards—SIPPING CHAMPAGNE: Dec. 20, 5th race, \$924.
The Elkstone Group LLC—CAN'T PASS IT UP: Dec. 14, 5th race, \$4,959. PRETTY GOOD YEAR: Dec. 7, 5th race, \$5,985. THE QUANTICO KID: Dec. 26, 3rd race, \$1,089. TORCH OF TRUTH: Dec. 7, 5th race, \$2,205. (\$14,238)
Annette Eubanks and Daniel Eubanks—VOODOO VALLEY: Dec. 1, 7th race, \$495.
Fitzhugh LLC—MARDEN: Dec. 7, 1st race, \$3,762; Dec. 20, 7th race, \$4,788. (\$8,550)
Charles Anthony Frock—BARBSGRAY LION: Dec. 13, 8th race, \$2,565.
Glenangus Farm LLC—FIRTH: Dec. 14, 4th race, \$7,182.
Mr. and Mrs. Matthew T. Groff—OYA: Dec. 8, 9th race, \$3,078.
Michael J. Harrison DVM—HASHTAG SELFIE: Dec. 26, 5th race, \$726. JUDI BLUE EYES: Dec. 20, 5th race, \$1,764. (\$2,490)

Theresa Rae Haupt—TALENTED DR. B: Dec. 21, 3rd race, \$3,078.
Heritage Stallions Inc.—QUEEN OF MUSKOKA: Dec. 1, 4th race, \$945.
Hillwood Stables LLC—HELLO BEAUTIFUL: Dec. 7, 6th race, \$9,000. LADDIE LIAM: Dec. 7, 7th race, \$9,000. LONG POINT BEACH: Dec. 1, 8th race, \$5,643. (\$23,643)
Holly House Farm—ALIGN THE NUMBERS: Dec. 6, 5th race, \$2,205.
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth C. Holt—QUEEN OF TOMORROW: Dec. 26, 9th race, \$2,079.
Michael and Debbie Horning—COFFEE PLEASE: Dec. 21, 3rd race, \$1,134.
Housatonic Stables LLC—MEGA MILLIONS: Dec. 14, 1st race, \$1,575.
Ann Biggs Jackson—ARTFUL SPLATTER: Dec. 14, 7th race, \$5,985.
Jellicoe Creek LLC—GALLANOR: Dec. 21, 2nd race, \$2,565.
R. Larry Johnson—DAY THE MUSIC DIED: Dec. 15, 2nd race, \$1,197. NO MO LADY: Dec. 6, 4th race, \$2,835. SLEWZER: Dec. 13, 6th race, \$945. (\$4,977)
R. Larry Johnson and Legacy Farm—GONE HOME: Dec. 6, 8th race, \$726; Dec. 15, 4th race, \$1,134. (\$1,860)
Harry Kassap LLC—QUIET IMAGINATION: Dec. 1, 8th race, \$2,079; Dec. 26, 1st race, \$2,079. (\$4,158)
Carol A. Kaye—CHARM CITY BAND: Dec. 27, 4th race, \$2,079. SMOKIN HOT FACTOR: Dec. 27, 9th race, \$945. (\$3,024)
Legacy Farm—DONTBAGGAGECHECK: Dec. 7, 2nd race, \$1,155.
Frederick T. Lewis Jr. DVM—TEN OAKS MISS: Dec. 20, 5th race, \$4,788.
Little Man Farm—FLIRTATION WALK: Dec. 13, 8th race, \$495.
Robert T. Manfuso—CAMPARI: Dec. 20, 1st race, \$594.
Robert T. Manfuso and Katharine M. Voss—JUMPING MICHELLE: Dec. 13, 5th race, \$957. NOBLE WAY: Dec. 20, 6th race, \$5,643. SWING STEP: Dec. 6, 2nd race, \$945; Dec. 27, 9th race, \$2,565. (\$10,110)
Marathon Farms Inc.—CLOSER LOOK: Dec. 14, 5th race, \$1,827.
Daniel Marconi—GALERIO: Dec. 20, 6th race, \$2,079.
Maryland Mare Venture LLC—NAUGHTY THOUGHTS: Dec. 7, 6th race, \$1,500; Dec. 13, 2nd race, \$4,275; Dec. 28, 5th race, \$1,500. (\$7,275)
Ann W. Merryman—FIYA: Dec. 7, 9th race, \$2,079.
Mezza Luna Farm LLC—MAGICAL LUNA: Dec. 27, 3rd race, \$2,079.
Angie Moore and Tiznow Syndicate—MYSTIC TIMES: Dec. 15, 3rd race, \$1,764.
Kevin P. Morgan—YESTERDAYSPLAN: Dec. 14, 7th race, \$2,205.
Nancy Lee Farms—JOHN JONES: Dec. 14, 8th race, \$2,961.
William Niarakis Jr.—SHAKE D MOON: Dec. 13, 4th race, \$3,762.
Northview Stallion Station Inc.—A TRUE GENTLEMAN: Dec. 29, 6th race, \$495.
Cynthia Pence and Philip Spingler—NICK PAPA-GIORGIO: Dec. 21, 5th race, \$3,249.
Dr. and Mrs. A. Leonard Pineau—COCKTAIL WAITRESS: Dec. 22, 3rd race, \$3,762. FAC-TORINTHEHEAT: Dec. 13, 7th race, \$1,320. (\$5,082)
Avia Pitts—ALWAYS MINING: Dec. 28, 6th race, \$3,000.
R C Park Racing Stable Inc.—CAPTAIN TRIPS: Dec. 14, 6th race, \$495.
Charles J. Reed and Michael Zanella—PATRIOTIC PUNCH: Dec. 22, 1st race, \$891.
Thomas L. Reynolds—SHADOW BOXER: Dec. 29, 8th race, \$495.
Linda Oliff Rohleder—MISS J MCKAY: Dec. 7, 6th race, \$3,000.
Timothy J. Rooney—SEANY P: Dec. 8, 3rd race, \$3,762.
Sagamore Farm LLC—MASTER DISTILLER: Dec. 13, 1st race, \$726. START WITH YES: Dec. 29, 3rd race, \$2,079. (\$2,805)

MHIB announces 2020 grant recipients

The Maryland Horse Industry Board, a program within the Maryland Department of Agriculture, has awarded \$30,232 in grants to 38 organizations and equestrian operations that represent a variety of equine groups and disciplines across the state. The committee selected projects from a pool of 66 applicants.

Funding for these grants and the MHIB is provided by the Maryland Feed Fund, which collects \$6 on every ton of horse feed sold in the state. Since the fund was established

in 2002, the board has awarded over \$500,000 in grants to nearly 350 projects.

This year's recipients include: two equine research projects; support for numerous 4-H programs, Pony Club, and therapeutic riding programs; trail riding; equine ambulance rescue initiatives; and help for diverse equestrian disciplines, such as gaited horses, carriage driving, and pony racing.

A full list of recipients, including a synopsis of each

project, is available on the MHIB's website.

"Horses are a critical component of Maryland's agricultural industry. The Maryland Horse Industry Board and the Feed Fund help stimulate growth and opportunity in Maryland's equestrian community without using any government funding," said board chairman Jim Steele. "This self-funded commodity marketing entity is a model of how industry groups can help themselves without relying on taxpayer dollars."

Projects are evaluated based on their value to the industry, degree of industry promotion, size and scope of activity, financial need, potential for matching funds, benefits, and overall quality of the written presentation. Grants are capped at \$3,000 in order to award funds to as many groups as possible.

Eligible projects should have a completion date no later than June 30, 2020. Grant recipients are required to file a project report with the board detailing how the money was used.

The MHIB was established in 1998 to promote and develop the equine industry in Maryland.

Shamrock Farm—LET ME ASK BOB: Dec. 6, 9th race, \$594; Dec. 21, 3rd race, \$594.
 Michael Terry Shane—MARGIE'S BAND: Dec. 8, 9th race, \$594; Dec. 22, 4th race, \$1,134. (\$1,728)
 Sinatra Thoroughbred Racing and Breeding—MUCHACHO: Dec. 29, 3rd race, \$5,643.
 Skeedattle Associates—MY T TALK: Dec. 20, 3rd race, \$3,249.
 Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Smith—STONE COURAGEOUS: Dec. 7, 7th race, \$3,000.
 Hamilton Smith, Fred Greene Jr. and Deborah Greene—MOON VIRGINIA: Dec. 29, 2nd race, \$759.
 Spendthrift Farm LLC—TOWSON: Dec. 22, 6th race, \$945.
 John D. Stuart—KATEANDLILLIAN: Dec. 1, 2nd race, \$3,762.
 Sweet Spirits Stables LLC—REDEEMED SPIRIT: Dec. 1, 2nd race, \$1,386.
 Sycamore Hall Thoroughbreds LLC—HAMMER-IN AAMER: Dec. 27, 8th race, \$2,835. PAID HOLIDAY: Dec. 21, 1st race, \$594. PAISLEY SINGING: Dec. 1, 6th race, \$7,182. SPICY MEATBALL: Dec. 13, 9th race, \$4,959. (\$15,570)
 Sycamore Hall Thoroughbreds LLC and Ellen Charles—MAJESTIC REASON: Dec. 7, 3rd race, \$2,250; Dec. 28, 8th race, \$9,000. (\$11,250)
 Thomas L. Teal—PUNK ROCK PRINCESS: Dec. 1, 6th race, \$1,386.
 Thornmar Farm and Tim Keefe—STILL HAVING FUN: Dec. 7, 8th race, \$2,250.
 Thornmar Farm and Colleen Torsney—JUST-WAVEANDSMILE: Dec. 27, 5th race, \$2,079.
 Thornmar Farm LLC—MINE TO HOLD: Dec. 20, 2nd race, \$726. WELL HELLO: Dec. 14, 4th race, \$1,386. (\$2,112)
 Donna Tullner and Stephen Glessner—BOURBON STREAK: Dec. 7, 1st race, \$1,386.
 Two Legends Farm—BENANDJOE: Dec. 21, 4th race, \$1,386. SPARTY: Dec. 13, 3rd race, \$4,275. (\$5,661)
 Dr. Walter Nelson Wieser II—NIGHTMARE: Dec. 15, 8th race, \$2,565.
 Mr. and Mrs. Bayne Welker Jr.—DESHACKLED: Dec. 7, 9th race, \$1,089.
 Dr. and Mrs. Bruce C. Wells—PROMISING PISTOL: Dec. 8, 2nd race, \$825.
 Edward N. Williams and Mike Mattese—THREE HAWK: Dec. 7, 3rd race, \$1,125.
 Willow Oaks Stable—ABSOLVED: Dec. 15, 5th race, \$1,386; Dec. 28, 2nd race, \$2,646. (\$4,032)

Winding Creek Farm—WHISKEY AND YOU: Dec. 7, 9th race, \$5,643.
 Winners Circle Partners VIII—GOLAZO: Dec. 27, 5th race, \$1,089.
 Mrs. Frank P. Wright—GRACE ISABELLA: Dec. 7, 2nd race, \$5,985.
 Linda Zang—LEWISFIELD: Dec. 7, 8th race, \$6,750.
 ZWP Stable and Non Stop Stable—STEADY LOVE: Dec. 6, 3rd race, \$4,788.

Stallion bonuses

BALTIMORE BOB (Let Me Ask Bob: Dec. 6, 9th race, \$198; Dec. 21, 3rd race, \$198): Robert Gerczak—\$396.
 BANDBOX (Artful Splatter: Dec. 14, 7th race, \$1,995. Kneesinthebreeze: Dec. 20, 6th race, \$363. Margie's Band: Dec. 8, 9th race, \$198; Dec. 22, 4th race, \$378. Queen of Tomorrow: Dec. 26, 9th race, \$693): Bandbox Syndicate—\$3,627.
 BOURBON COURAGE (Olive's Bumpa: Dec. 6, 3rd race, \$588. Punk Rock Princess: Dec. 1, 6th race, \$462. Stone Courageous: Dec. 7, 7th race, \$1,000. Two Shots: Dec. 26, 9th race, \$1,881): Bourbon Courage Syndicate—\$3,931.
 BUFFUM (Steady Love: Dec. 6, 3rd race, \$1,596): Buffum Syndicate.
 BULLSBAY (A True Gentleman: Dec. 29, 6th race, \$165): Bullsbay Syndicate.
 CAL NATION (Earned It: Dec. 8, 7th race, \$231; Dec. 21, 7th race, \$1,026. Judi Blue Eyes: Dec. 20, 5th race, \$588): Cal Nation Syndicate—\$1,845.
 CHEROKEE'S BOY (Captain Trips: Dec. 14, 6th race, \$165): ZWP Stable.
 DESPITE THE ODDS (Always Talking: Dec. 26, 2nd race, \$1,311. Gone Home: Dec. 6, 8th race, \$242; Dec. 15, 4th race, \$378. Shadow Boxer: Dec. 29, 8th race, \$165. Slewzer: Dec. 13, 6th race, \$315. Up Against It: Dec. 15, 9th race, \$1,539): R. Larry Johnson—\$3,950.
 ETCHED (Calypso Ghost: Dec. 15, 6th race, \$1,026; Dec. 26, 2nd race, \$483): Bonita Farm Stallion Partnership—\$1,509.
 FREEDOM CHILD (Limited View: Dec. 21, 8th race, \$2,565. Tom Terrific: Dec. 6, 9th race, \$378): Freedom Child Syndicate—\$2,943.
 FRIESAN FIRE (Fiya: Dec. 7, 9th race, \$693. Pearl Gem: Dec. 13, 5th race, \$609. Tappahannock: Dec. 21, 4th race, \$1,254. Whiskey and You: Dec. 7, 9th race, \$1,881): Friesan Fire Syndicate—\$4,437.
 GIACOMO (Coffee Please: Dec. 21, 3rd race, \$378): Giacomo Syndicate.

GOLDEN LAD (Hello Beautiful: Dec. 7, 6th race, \$3,000. Laddie Liam: Dec. 7, 7th race, \$3,000. Long Point Beach: Dec. 1, 8th race, \$1,881. Once in a Lifetime: Dec. 14, 1st race, \$275. Paisley Singing: Dec. 1, 6th race, \$2,394): Golden Lad Syndicate—\$10,550.
 GREAT NOTION (Conjecture: Dec. 21, 8th race, \$945. Great Go Go: Dec. 13, 1st race, \$1,254. Lewisfield: Dec. 7, 8th race, \$2,250. Onemoregreattime: Dec. 7, 4th race, \$2,565. Pretty Good Year: Dec. 7, 5th race, \$1,995): Great Notion Syndicate—\$9,009.
 HANGOVER KID (Miss J McKay: Dec. 7, 6th race, \$1,000): Hangover Kid Syndicate.
 HUNTERS BAY (One Two Three Go: Dec. 7, 2nd race, \$735; Dec. 29, 5th race, \$319. Queen of Muskoka: Dec. 1, 4th race, \$315): Stronach Group LP—\$1,369.
 IMAGINING (Dreaming of Love: Dec. 6, 6th race, \$630. Good Luck Legacy: Dec. 27, 4th race, \$363. Imagine Winning: Dec. 6, 6th race, \$330. Monday Morning Qb: Dec. 28, 7th race, \$3,000. On the Turf: Dec. 26, 7th race, \$693. Quiet Imagination: Dec. 1, 8th race, \$693; Dec. 26, 1st race, \$693): Imagining Syndicate—\$6,402.
 LION HEARTED (Barbsgray Lion: Dec. 13, 8th race, \$855): Lion Hearted Syndicate.
 LOUIS QUATORZE (Kosher Contract: Dec. 15, 2nd race, \$209. Marie From Parie: Dec. 20, 3rd race, \$399): Louis Quatorze Syndicate—\$608.
 NICANOR (Seany P: Dec. 8, 3rd race, \$1,254): Nicanor Syndicate.
 NOT FOR LOVE (Clubman: Dec. 7, 8th race, \$375. Easy River: Dec. 6, 5th race, \$385; Dec. 20, 9th race, \$198. Swing Step: Dec. 6, 2nd race, \$315; Dec. 27, 9th race, \$855. Torch of Truth: Dec. 7, 5th race, \$735): Not For Love Syndicate—\$2,863.

ORIENTATE (Align the Numbers: Dec. 6, 5th race, \$735. Mine to Hold: Dec. 20, 2nd race, \$242): Orientate Syndicate—\$977.
 OUTFLANKER (Flirtation Walk: Dec. 13, 8th race, \$165. Nick Papagiorgio: Dec. 21, 5th race, \$1,083): Outflanker Syndicate—\$1,248.
 PETIONVILLE (Voodoo Valley: Dec. 1, 7th race, \$165): Everest Stables Inc.
 PLAN (Mice and Men: Dec. 13, 9th race, \$319. Yesterdaysplan: Dec. 14, 7th race, \$735): Stronach Group LP—\$1,054.
 REDEEMED (Gallano: Dec. 21, 2nd race, \$855. Going to the Lead: Dec. 20, 7th race, \$588. Redeemed Spirit: Dec. 1, 2nd race, \$462): Redeemed Syndicate—\$1,905.
 SCIPION (Shake D Moon: Dec. 13, 4th race, \$1,254. Sipping Champagne: Dec. 20, 5th race, \$308): Scipion Syndicate—\$1,562.
 SEVILLE (GER) (I Love You: Dec. 8, 4th race, \$253. Marylander: Dec. 8, 3rd race, \$242. Solea: Dec. 15, 1st race, \$462): Seville (Ger) Syndicate—\$957.
 STREET MAGICIAN (Magical Luna: Dec. 27, 3rd race, \$693. Winston's Way: Dec. 13, 1st race, \$462. Yes Man: Dec. 7, 1st race, \$242): R. Larry Johnson—\$1,397.
 SUPER NINETY NINE (Fortyfiveerocket: Dec. 6, 6th race, \$1,710; Dec. 27, 6th race, \$1,710. Let's Play Nine: Dec. 28, 2nd race, \$2,394. Liquid Hero: Dec. 6, 2nd race, \$855; Dec. 22, 5th race, \$165. Nine Martinis: Dec. 14, 3rd race, \$483. Tommy Shelby: Dec. 7, 7th race, \$500; Dec. 26, 7th race, \$363): Country Life Farm and Spendthrift—\$8,180.
 TRITAP (Tandancing Girl: Dec. 15, 1st race, \$242. Ten Oaks Miss: Dec. 20, 5th race, \$1,596. Trifor Gold: Dec. 7, 5th race, \$385): Tritap Syndicate—\$2,223.

Foals Wanted

Send your foal reports and photographs of 2020 foals for inclusion on the Maryland Horse Breeders Association website and *The Maryland Horse* newsletter. Email information to cdeubler@marylandthoroughbred.com. Submissions may also be made on the MHBA website at MarylandThoroughbred.com/foalreport.



Susan S. Cooney's Madefromlucky colt out of Kokand Cousin takes flight.



Divining Rod—Final Humor colt is a half-brother to two stakes horses.



Mosler filly out of Laura's Moon (by Malibu Moon) gets to stretch her legs.



Will Do and her Friesan Fire filly enjoy an early winter turnout at Country Life Farm.



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CASUAL KISS, by Dehere, b.f., Feb. 6, by Arrogate. Thornmar and Tim Keefe. Mare to Blofeld.

FINAL HUMOR, by Distorted Humor, ch.c., Jan. 17, by Divining Rod. Country Life Farm.

FOREVERINMYHEART, by Roman Ruler, ch.c., Feb. 5, by Uncle Lino. Thornmar. Mare to Great Notion.

HONEY BUN, by Scipion, b.f., Feb. 7, by Golden Lad. Thornmar. Mare to Uncle Lino.

JO BEE, by American Lion, ch.c., Jan. 23, by Long River. Lady Olivia at North Cliff LLC.

KOKAND COUSIN, by Kokand, b.c., Jan. 30, by Madefromlucky. Susan S. Cooney.

LAURA'S MOON, by Malibu Moon, b.f., Jan. 11, by Mosler.

Country Life Farm and Laura's Moon LLC.

MADAM ALEX, by Not For Love, ch.f., Jan. 20, by Bandbox. Thornmar. Mare to Blofeld.

ONEARMEDBANDIT, by No Armistice, b.c., Jan. 21, by Mosler. No Guts No Glory Farm.

PAY THE LADY, by Not For Love, b.c., Feb. 7, by Great Notion. Thornmar. Mare to Race Day.

TAJOL, by Spring At Last, ch.f., Feb. 2, by Barbados. Shamrock Farms. Mare to Barbados.

WILD EYED, by Indian Charlie, b.c., Jan. 31, by Unified. Thornmar. Mare to Force the Pass.

WILL DO, by Roman Ruler, b.f., Jan. 19, by Friesan Fire. Bell Gable Stable.



MARYLAND-BRED STAKES WINNERS

Field Pass scores first stakes win in Gulfstream's Dania Beach

Three Diamonds Farm's Field Pass squeezed past rivals in deep stretch to capture his first stakes in the \$100,000 Dania Beach for 3-year-olds on the turf at Gulfstream Park Feb. 1.

Coming off of a three-month break to make his 2020 debut, Field Pass settled mid-pack as Get Smokin moved up to take the early lead. As they hit the half-mile mark, Field Pass began to make his move.

Get Smokin led the field through the final turn, with South Bend firing down the stretch as Field Pass moved up the inside. The Michael Maker trainee slipped between foes in deep stretch to hit the wire a neck ahead of Get Smokin and finish the mile on a turf course rated good in 1:38.81.

It was the gray colt's fourth stakes attempt. In his stakes debut in the Grade 3 With Anticipation at Saratoga last Au-

gust he finished second and also finished fourth in the Dixiana Bourbon-G3 at Keeneland and Laurel Futurity at Laurel Park. Adding to his maiden win at Saratoga in July, his second career start, Field Pass bumped his record to 2-2-0 from seven starts for earnings of \$174,650.

A son of Lemon Drop Kid, Field Pass was bred by New Jersey resident Mark Grier,

foaled at Dance Forth at Roland Farm in Warwick, and consigned by Becky Davis as a yearling to the 2018 Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Eastern Fall sale, where he was purchased for \$37,000 by Owls Bloodstock.

His dam Only Me, a daughter of Runaway Groom, has two named foals. Both are winners. 🐾

Maryland Horse Forum report available

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