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MHBA announces new board members

The Maryland Horse Breeders Association membership has selected one incumbent member, a 2019 presidential appointee and three new members to the 2020 Board of Directors. Dictated by MHBA bylaws, the annual election fills five open seats on the board. Those elected will serve for three years. Bill Reightler, who served on the board from 2010-15 and 2017-19, is this year's only incumbent.

Ellen M. Charles. A prominent owner and breeder in Maryland who races as Hillwood Stables, Charles will serve her first three-year term.

The granddaughter of Marjorie Merriweather Post, heiress to the Post cereal fortune, resides in Washington, D.C., Charles has served as president of the board of Hillwood Estate Museum and Gardens for 25 years.

Owner of graded stakes-winning sprinter Bandbox, who stands at Northview Stallion Station, Charles owns broodmares, horses of racing age and young stock. She had connections to three 2019 Maryland-bred champions as co-breeder/co-owner of Majestic Reason, owner of Cordmaker and breeder of Laddie Liam. A board member of Beyond The Wire and past board member of the Maryland Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, Charles hopes "to



Elected to the MHBA board of directors for 2020 are, clockwise from top left: Ellen Charles, Michael Golden, Leonard Pineau, Bill Reightler and Tom Rooney.

restore racing to its success before the pandemic and continue supporting breeders' bonuses and aftercare programs."

Michael D. Golden DVM. A small animal veterinarian,



Golden is the vice president of family-owned Northview Stallion Station and Sycamore Hall Farm in Chesapeake City (Cecil County), and will serve on the board for the first time.

The Baltimore resident has been involved in Thoroughbred breeding and racing since 1975, highlighted by homebred Clever Mind's win in the 2017 Maryland Million Nursery, and has owned the Veterinary Housecall Service and Clinic, based in Crofton, since 1997.

While on the board, Golden aims to "support an agenda conducive to the growth and expansion of Thoroughbred breeding in Maryland, promote ongoing efforts to improve the safety of Thoroughbred racing, and help the transition of horses from racing to a second career when not suitable for breeding."

A. Leonard Pineau VMD. Owner of Three Pines Farm in

Glyndon (Baltimore County), Pineau has bred the likes of graded stakes winner Purely Hot and stakes winners Ten Out of Ten and Music City.

A veterinarian at Aardmore Veterinary Hospital, Pineau is a member of the Maryland Veterinary Medical Association and American VMA, while also serving as president of the Greater Baltimore VMA. President of Pet E.R. and board member of the McDonogh School, Pineau has the goal of "ensuring the highest standard of integrity, honesty and drug-free racing."

William S. Reightler. Founder and president of Bill Reightler Sales and Consulting Agency, Reightler begins his fourth term on the board, having served from 2010-15, and 2017-19. The resident of White Hall (Harford County) owns Hillrise Farm with wife Barrie.

Serving on the MHBA Yearling Show, Building and Legislative committees, Reightler is also a board member of Maryland State Fair, and past board member of Maryland Horse Council, the Maryland Agricultural Commission, and Maryland Association of Wildlife Conservation.

One of the leading Thoroughbred sales agents in the Mid-Atlantic, Reightler plans to "continue the stewardship that has resulted in Maryland's achievement of creating a strong regional program for racing and breeding."

Thomas J. Rooney. A former U.S. Congress member, whose family owns Shamrock Farms in Woodbine (Carroll County), Rooney was a presidential appointee to the board in 2019.

Based in Tequesta, Fla., he is an attorney, instructor of constitutional law at the U.S. Military Academy at West

Point and CEO of Home Safe, a shelter for abused and abandoned children in Florida.

With a small breeding and racing program, Rooney strives to "make sure owners and breeders with small stables are represented." After working at the top level of politics, he understands "in order to move forward in a productive way, you have to have an open mind and understand all points of view."

Of the five directors whose terms expired in 2020, Larry Murray was ineligible to stand for reelection because of having served six consecutive years. Those whose terms have not expired are Richard F. Blue Jr., Michael Harrison DVM, Christy Holden, Michael Horning, Louis Merryman, Sabrina Moore, Kent Allen Murray, James B. Steele, David Wade and Theresa Wiseman.

Maryland-breds hit six figures at OBS sale



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Amidst the coronavirus (Covid-19) pandemic that created an ever-changing landscape for Thoroughbred sales across the country, seven Maryland-breds went through the ring at Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's 2020 spring sale of 2-year-olds, with six selling, three for six figures. The sale, rescheduled from its

original dates in April, was held June 9-12 in Ocala, Fla.

Hip 976 topped the Maryland-breds. The gray filly by The Factor out of the graded stakes-placed Malibu Moon mare Dream, sold for \$300,000 to Willis Horton Racing.

Consigned by RiceHorse Stables (Brandon and Ali Rice), the half-sister to stakes-

placed Caught Dream'n (by Blame) breezed an eighth in :10.20. She was bred by Dark Hollow Farm, Dorsey Brown, Arnold Davidov and David Schwaber and sold as a yearling at Keeneland September for \$100,000.

A Munnings colt out of the After Market mare Listen Boy, Hip 63, was consigned by

The \$300,000 filly by The Factor was one of three Maryland-breds to top six-figures in Florida in June.

Grassroots Training & Sales and sold for \$140,000 to West Point Thoroughbreds, L.E.B., agent. Bred by Dr. and Mrs. A. Leonard Pineau, the dark bay worked an eighth in :10 flat. He was also a Keeneland September graduate when bringing \$80,000 in 2019.

Hip 785, a Frosted colt out of the graded stakes-winning Unbridled mare Belterra, was purchased by G S Inversiones Hipicas for \$120,000 from the consignment of Paul Sharp. The half-brother to stakes winner Taketheodds (by Street Sense) and current stakes-placed 3-year-old Mine Not Mine (by Golden Lad) worked an eighth in :10.40. He also sold for \$80,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale.

The Maryland-breds sold for an average of \$122,167, 32 percent higher than the sale's overall average.



MARYLAND-BRED STAKES WINNERS

Field Pass rolls with two stakes victories in three weeks



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Field Pass, the richest Maryland-bred of 2020, added to his total when edging Street Ready to take the \$100,000 Transylvania Stakes-G3 by a nose July 12 at Keeneland. It was the Three Diamonds Farm colorbearer's fourth stakes victory, and second graded, of the year, and came after a score in Churchill Downs' \$100,000 Audubon Stakes June 20.

Trainer Mike Maker said after Transylvania, where nine horses were separated by just over 2 lengths: "This horse loves to win. He's all heart. When he thought he was getting the lead, he started kinda backing off. When he felt the pressure, he dug back in."

Field Pass advanced steadily around the far turn and dueling with Fancy Liquor and Street Ready down the stretch to complete 1 $\frac{1}{16}$ miles on the turf in 1:42.56 as the favorite in a field of 10.

He was also the favorite in the 1 $\frac{1}{8}$ mile Audubon on the turf, and won in 1:47.99. The gray 3-year-old boosted his earnings to \$418,610, \$302,860 earned this year. His career record is 5-2-1 from 11 career starts.

Bred by Mark Grier, Field Pass is a son of Lemon Drop Kid out of the Runaway Groom mare Only Me. She has produced three foals, with two winners from three starters, including Field Pass's half-brother You Must Chill (\$81,052).

Laki returns victorious in Oceanport Centennial Stakes

Hillside Equestrian Meadows' Laki came back better than ever in Monmouth Park's \$75,000 Oceanport Centennial Stakes July 3.

In his first start since finishing fifth as one of the favorites in the Maryland Million Sprint last October, the 7-year-old gelding broke right to the front and raced just off the leaders through fractions of :22.11 and :45.37. The Damon Dilodovico trainee began his move as he turned for home, drawing off to win 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths in :57.62 for 5 furlongs. It was his first win at a track other than Laurel Park.

"He's been training so well coming into the race. I'm not

Double Crown reigns in Carry Back Stakes

Reeves Thoroughbred Racing's Double Crown notched his second stakes win of 2020, living up to his 4-5 favoritism in the \$75,000 Carry Back Stakes for 3-year-olds July 4 at Gulfstream Park.

Coming off a strong win in the Roar Stakes in May, the bay gelding broke quickly before settling into fourth on the outside of stablemate Ournationonparade. Off fractions of :22.59 and :45.42, Double Crown outlasted a late challenge from With Verve to win by three-quarters of a length.

The Kathy Ritvo trainee finished 7 furlongs in 1:22.37. The race fit as the perfect step up from his previous start, the 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ -furlong Roar.

"He's tough. He has just enough speed to stay off the pace early and he closes well," said Dean Reeves, who owns the bay gelding with his wife Patti.

Reeves purchased Double Crown and Ournationonparade following their 1-2 finish in a Laurel Park maiden special weight last September.



Lauren King

The Maryland-breds have since met in a Gulfstream Park allowance, where Double Crown finished second despite being impeded by Ournationonparade after he lost his rider, and the Roar, where Ournationonparade finished fourth.

Double Crown's record is 3-1-0 from four career starts, with \$130,365 earned.

A son of Anchor and Hope Farm's Bourbon Courage, Double Crown was bred by Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowman and their daughter Becky Davis. His dam Two Columbus, a daughter of Two Punch who earned \$149,281, has produced five foals, with three winners from four starters. The family traces back to Avie, dam of champion Lord Avie.



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surprised by this, even after eight months off," said Dilodovico. "Toward the end of the year last year he just needed to be refreshed. We weren't looking for the Covid-19-sized freshener but maybe it ended up helping him."

It was Laki's fifth stakes victory and first win since

the Frank Whiteley Jr. Stakes last spring. Along with scores in the Not For Love, Polynesian and Howard and Sondra Bender Memorial, Laki finished second in the 2018 Frank J. De Francis Memorial Dash-G3 and third in last year's General George-G3.

The Maryland-bred champion older male of 2018 holds a record of 9-3-5 from 24 starts with earnings of \$513,632.

Bred by Tom Michaels and Lorna Baker, Laki is a son of the late Not For Love stallion Cuba out of Truthful Dutch, a winning daughter of Swear by Dixie. From five named foals, Laki is her only winner from three starters.

Maryland-bred top earners in 2020

(through July 2)

1. Field Pass \$242,860	11. Toy \$80,691
2. Majestic Reason 150,000	12. Galerio 78,597
3. Sharing 126,171	13. Seany P. 75,885
4. Plata O Plomo 118,376	14. Harpers First Ride 74,893
5. Alwaysmining 116,000	15. My Friends Beer 65,919
6. American Nina 107,401	16. McKale 65,760
7. Stroll Smokin 91,572	17. Outofthepark 64,467
8. Naughty Thoughts 87,279	18. Pitching Ari 62,244
9. Blamed 86,300	19. Youngest of Five 62,120
10. Artful Splatter 85,572	20. Plot the Dots 57,849



MARYLAND FOAL REPORT



Golden Lad colt is out of Special Salute, a winning half-sister to stakes winners Talk Show Man and Just Jack.

CHRUSCIKI, by Polish Numbers, b.f., April 23, by Exaggerator. Nancy Lee Farms.

LADINA, by Wild Again, b.c., May 18, by Long River. Richard F. Blue Jr. Mare to Long River.

LITTLETOWN BRIDGE, by Stormin Fever, b.f., April 19, by Cuba. Moneylane Farms. Mare to I'm Steppin It Up.

PERFECT MEASURE, by Wildcat Heir, dk.b./br.f., April 23, by Golden Lad. Hamilton Smith. Mare to Irish War Cry.

RHYMES WITH LION, by Lion Hearted, dk.b./br.f., May 11, by Bandbox. Nancy Lee Farms.

ROYAL RENEGE, by Broken Vow, b.c., March 12, by Midnight Lute. Elizabeth M. Merryman. Mare to Golden Lad.



Colt from the first crop of Long River is out of \$109,940-earner Ladina.

SPECIAL SALUTE, by Rock Slide, dk.b./br.c., May 4, by Golden Lad. Michael J. Harrison DVM. Mare to Bourbon Courage.

ZEEZEE ZOOMZOOM, by Congrats, gr./ro.c., April 10, by Holy Boss. Elizabeth M. Merryman. Mare to Great Notion.

Maryland's leading sires

Supplied by The Jockey Club Information Services, these statistics compiled July 2 are for stallions who currently stand or completed their careers in Maryland. Lifetime earnings for stallions with at least one starter in 2020. † denotes freshman sire.

Earnings in 2020

	Strs	Starts	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings
Great Notion	54	124	18	22	\$577,373
Friesan Fire	57	166	15	19	557,473
Golden Lad	32	70	9	10	472,944
Bandbox	25	66	11	14	415,447
Super Ninety Nine	37	99	10	12	373,410
Bourbon Courage	26	60	7	8	340,723
Seville (Ger)	49	116	8	10	309,663
Street Magician	32	92	7	9	257,334
Not For Love	29	87	7	10	256,260
Oriente	41	99	8	8	231,628
Imagining	21	52	4	4	206,940
Nicanor	18	66	3	6	169,951
Petionville	19	59	5	6	167,368
Outflanker	16	51	6	8	156,929
Redeemed	25	62	4	4	111,264
Tritap	12	28	2	2	110,525

2-year-old earnings in 2020

	Strs	Starts	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings
Great Notion	1	1	1	1	\$30,000
Seville (Ger)	1	1	1	1	24,000
Bourbon Courage	2	2	0	0	9,500
Golden Lad	1	1	0	0	8,000
Imagining	1	1	0	0	6,250

Earnings lifetime

	Strs	Starts	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings
Not For Love	845	19,471	686	2,897	\$80,806,155
Oriente	686	13,971	535	2,039	48,033,659
Petionville	667	14,381	520	1,937	45,521,202
Louis Quatorze	777	14,979	575	1,958	38,211,162
Lion Hearted	507	9,765	389	1,333	30,105,021
Outflanker	444	9,516	333	1,340	29,638,661
Great Notion	272	4,210	218	717	22,201,886
Friesan Fire	175	2,862	129	367	11,557,340
Rock Slide	222	3,927	151	440	11,458,194
Street Magician	111	1,815	80	229	6,976,195
Cherokee's Boy	75	1,539	49	150	4,101,108
Redeemed	66	900	38	93	3,133,320
Showing Up	88	1,168	55	135	2,572,960
Super Ninety Nine	47	384	27	62	1,746,278
Bandbox	38	256	27	46	1,581,260
Seville (Ger)	102	876	39	65	1,571,473
Tritap	30	280	19	40	1,439,093
Narrative (Ire)	86	1,289	46	135	1,213,229
Golden Lad	34	138	15	25	1,139,415

2-year-old earnings lifetime

	Strs	Starts	Wnrs	Wins	Earnings
Not For Love	365	1,164	139	186	\$6,956,746
Oriente	367	1,155	141	183	5,333,131
Petionville	383	1,184	123	152	4,866,671
Louis Quatorze	338	1,047	104	130	3,509,023
Outflanker	229	924	94	125	3,466,391
Lion Hearted	224	733	81	111	3,096,416
Great Notion	98	296	42	58	2,244,757
Friesan Fire	102	317	34	38	1,732,327
Rock Slide	94	299	24	35	1,075,420
Street Magician	53	207	18	22	1,035,824
Golden Lad	19	69	10	15	674,471
Cherokee's Boy	24	105	8	13	641,664
Tritap	19	79	10	17	619,644
Bourbon Courage	24	78	8	10	576,742
Super Ninety Nine	29	109	13	18	576,353