

Congratulations to Youth Advisor Tracy Shoe, volunteer FQHYA members, participants and volunteer parents on a job well done. The FQHYA Trail Ride and BBQ were a huge success and fun was had by all. FQHYA netted \$2090! Thanks to everyone involved for all of their efforts!

More BBQ! We will have another BBQ fundraiser at Fox Lea on Saturday, March 30 following the show. The tickets are \$10 apiece and everyone is invited. We are asking FQHYA members to help by volunteering and bringing drinks, ice, plastic utensils, plates, napkins, etc. We also need a clean-up crew. Please call or email Gia to sign up. Her email is ggrg1205@gmail.com. Although we are asking everyone to participate, this is especially important for those members who were not able to be involved in the Trail Ride fundraiser. There will be a Youth meeting prior to the BBQ. Please plan on attending. We have a lot of important material to cover.

The **\$5 gift cards**, four cards per member, are due to Tracy Shoe prior to, or at, that same show. If you are unable to attend the Easter Show in Venice, please make arrangements to get your cards to Tracy. The Letters of Intent and \$20 are also due at, or prior to, the Easter Show. So once again, if you are unable to attend the Easter Show, please remember it is your responsibility to get the letters and fees to Tracy by the due date (March 30).

Prizes! Special prizes will be awarded to exhibitors in the Youth Hunter Under Saddle and Youth Western Horsemanship classes during the Easter Show. There will be random drawings during the classes. You must only show in the Youth Hunter Under Saddle and/or Youth Western Horsemanship classes to be eligible to win a prize. You do not have to place. Many thanks to the prize donors!

Class sponsorships are available for \$ 75 for each Novice Youth and Youth class. The sponsorships will help pay for year-end awards, YES hotel rooms and tack stalls at the AQHYA World Show. The sponsors will be announced at shows when possible and receive signage. Every FQHYA member is responsible for securing at least one sponsor. Please contact Shannon at scox@tampabay.rr.com to sign up for a class. There will also be sign up opportunities at the shows as well as the year-end awards dinner.

Exhibitor Numbers will be available in the show office at all the Florida shows. There is still time to reserve a number for 2013 if you haven't already. Please check with Melissa at 941/321-3247 or fqhasecretary@aol.com to see what numbers are still available. The numbers are \$25.

We will continue to try to keep FQHYA members and parents up to date on all events. Please remember to check the website often.

And finally, many thanks to everyone who has supported FQHYA over the past couple of months. We really appreciate all the kind words and efforts as we re-group.

Shannon Cox for the FQHYA committee