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The International Breed Registry for Appaloosa Horses

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APPALOOSA YOUTH ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES 2016 SPEECH CONTEST WINNERS

MOSCOW, Idaho—The Appaloosa Youth Association (AYA) is pleased to announce the winners of the 2016 AYA Speech Contest. This exciting competition is held annually in conjunction with the World Championship Appaloosa Youth Show. Teams participating in the Team Tournament Challenge are required to enter into this competition, but individual youth participants are welcome and highly encouraged to take part. Participants can compete in one of two divisions: prepared and impromptu.

This year the topic for the 13 & under prepared division was “What makes your Appaloosa unique” The topic for the prepared 14-18 division was “How does your involvement in the Appaloosa Youth Association help make you an ambassador for the Appaloosa breed.” For the impromptu division of the contest participants were asked to describe how they would convince someone looking to buy a new horse to purchase an Appaloosa. Winners of this year’s competition each received a cash prize.

This year’s competition was held on Sunday, June 26. The AYA is pleased to announce the following winners:

Prepared Speech 13 & Under

- 1st Place- Macy Hoggett, Garland, TX
- 2nd Place- Ashley Bullock, Denton, MD

Prepared Speech 14-18

- 1st Place- Ruth Liebendorfer, Renton, WA
- 2nd Place- Julia Kutsch, Jacksonville, FL

Impromptu Speech 14-18

- 1st Place- Teresa Job, Senora, CA
- 2nd Place- Ally Brown, Norwalk, OH

The AYA Speech Contest was created to help encourage youth to develop their public speaking skills as well as to persuade youth to stay knowledgeable of important topics affecting the Appaloosa breed, equine industry, and agricultural industry as a whole. For more information on the AYA, this contest or the many other activities offered to AYA youth, visit www.appaloosayouth.com.

The Appaloosa Youth Association (AYA) is the youth affiliate of the Appaloosa Horse Club. Officially approved in 1981, the AYA was the first youth program developed to complement an equine breed association.

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The Appaloosa Horse Club (ApHC) was established in 1938 with a mission of honoring the heritage and promoting the future of the Appaloosa horse. The ApHC has since registered more than 700,000 Appaloosas, which are known for their distinctive color, intelligence and even temperament. True to their reputation as an extremely versatile breed, Appaloosas can be found in nearly every discipline including racing, endurance riding and serving as reliable family horses. The international breed registry is headquartered in Moscow, Idaho, the heart of the Palouse region—the Appaloosa breed’s namesake and point of origin.

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