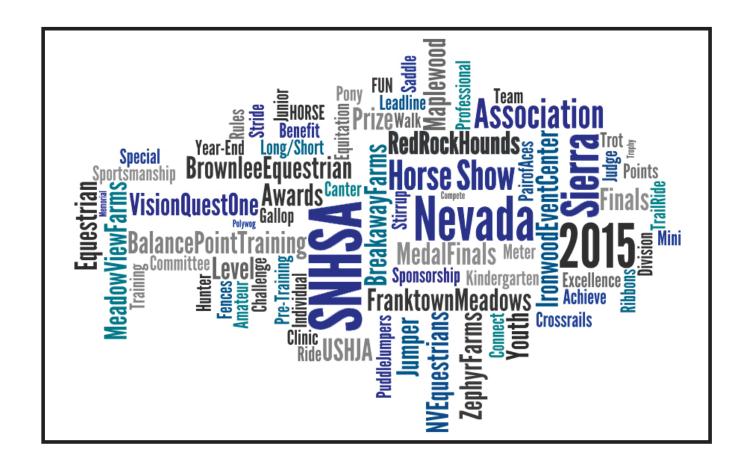


2015 SNHSA Year-End Awards

Sunday, January 24, 2016 Atlantis Hotel & Casino



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2015 SNHSA Year-End Awards Program Sunday, January 24, 2016 at 11:30 a.m. Atlantis Hotel & Casino

12:00 p.m.Buffet lunch
1:00 p.m.Year-End Awards and
Youth Committee Presentations

(Please have a barn representative accept awards for riders/owners not present.)

The SNHSA Silent Auction and Raffle are ongoing throughout the afternoon. Raffle drawings will take place during the awards presentations.

The Silent Auction and Raffle programs are part of SNHSA's fundraising events. Auction and raffle items are donated by SNHSA barns, friends, and area businesses. Thank you for any and all donations and your support in buying raffle tickets and bidding on the Silent Auction items! The proceeds raised from this event go towards SNHSA's annual operating costs.



Welcome to Sierra Nevada Horse Show Association's 2015 awards banquet,

SNHSA' provides a safe and friendly horse show environment, in which our members, and their horses, excel to meet their goals.

Throughout the year, it has been a pleasure watching your progress as equestrians and competitors at our shows. I would like to congratulate all of our riders today for their hard work and dedication. And a special thank you to the Youth Committee and parents, for their participation and support throughout the 2015 show season.

We are here today to celebrate our amazing horses and riders, who, along with the support of their families and trainers, make all our accomplishments possible. One thing we all share is our love of horses. Creating a bond between a horse and rider is the ultimate reward in our sport. Horse shows, parents, trainers, and riders all play a big part in achieving this. A big thank you for your continued support! Wishing you all a productive and prosperous 2016 show season.

Have fun and stay safe!

Thanks,

Laurie Alden, SNHSA 2015 President

KINDERGARTEN JUMPERS



McCormack Plastic Surgery Tiffany McCormack

	<u>HORSE</u>	RIDER/OWNER	<u>TRAINER</u>
Champion	Toy Story	Sarah Ross	Juci Somogyi
Res. Champion	Premier	Ashlyn Nelson	Wendy Brownlee
3rd	Cantabria	Lexie Conrow	Liz Reader
4th	Grenache S	Gina Luciano	Ashlin Bowen
5th	Norman	Cassie Larrieu	Ashlin Bowen
5th	Kokopelli	Elianah Altmann	Juci Somogyi

PUDDLE JUMPERS



Hoofin' It Healthy Horse Cookies Colleen Reiter

	<u>HORSE</u>	RIDER/OWNER	TRAINER
Champion	Derby	Katharina Greenleaf	Robert Rust
Res. Champion	Rolling River	Shelley Evans	Liz Reader
3rd	Kokopelli	Elianah Altmann	Juci Somogyi
4th	Black Velvet	Abigail Welsh	Laurie Alden
5th	Toy Story	Sarah Ross	Juci Somogyi

PRE-TRAINING JUMPERS



Zephyr Farms Pony Club Laurie Alden

	<u>HORSE</u>	RIDER/OWNER	<u>TRAINER</u>
Champion	Rolling River	Shelley Evans	Liz Reader
Res. Champion	Mousse au Chocolat	Taylor Hettich	Wendy Brownlee
3rd	Red Cloud Sky Dancer	Ute Simon	Joneux Mensler
4th	Riley's Approval	Maraina Robrahn	Joneux Mensler
4th	Toy Story	Sarah Ross	Juci Somogyi
5th	Black Velvet	Abigail Welsh	Laurie Alden

LEVEL 1 JUMPERS



Balance Point Training Juci Somogyi

	<u>HORSE</u>	RIDER/OWNER	<u>TRAINER</u>
Champion	Osolace	Lyn Mundt	Wendy Brownlee
Res. Champion	Anything But Ordinary	Chanlee Harvey	Liz Reader
Res. Champion	Mousse au Chocolat	Taylor Hettich	Wendy Brownlee
Res. Champion	Jersey Girl	Nicole Roberts	Juci Somogyi
3rd	Go Marching	Natalie Pfeifle	Wendy Brownlee
4th	Riley's Approval	Maraina Robrahn	Joneux Mensler
5th	Black Velvet	Abigail Welsh	Laurie Alden

LEVEL 2 JUMPERS



Breakaway Farms Ashlin Bowen

	<u>HORSE</u>	RIDER/OWNER	<u>TRAINER</u>
Champion	Osolace	Lyn Mundt	Wendy Brownlee
Res. Champion	Jersey Girl	Nicole Roberts	Juci Somogyi
3rd	Kiss Me I'm Irish	Jordan Bader	Brittany Henson
3rd	Mousse au Chocolat	Taylor Hettich	Wendy Brownlee
4th	Oncore	Ashley Robinson	Wendy Brownlee
5th	Truckee Fashion	Samantha Welsh	Laurie Alden

LEVEL 3 JUMPERS



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	<u>HORSE</u>	RIDER/OWNER	<u>TRAINER</u>
Champion	Anything But Ordinary	Chanlee Harvey	Liz Reader
Res. Champion	Oncore	Ashley Robinson	Wendy Brownlee
3rd	Kiss Me I'm Irish	Jordan Bader	Brittany Henson
3rd	Osolace	Lyn Mundt	Wendy Brownlee
3rd	Tilburg	Keighley Bader	Brittany Henson
4th	Truckee Fashion	Samantha Welsh	Laurie Alden

MINI HUNTERS



A-Mays-ing Equine Lisa Mays

	<u>HORSE</u>	RIDER/OWNER	<u>TRAINER</u>
Champion	Premier	Ashlyn Nelson	Wendy Brownlee
Res. Champion	Saving Grace	Elyse Welch	Sarah Mullins
3rd	Surf's Up	Isabelle Kronenberg	Wendy Brownlee
4th	Estelle	Keri Hellige	Keri Hellige
5th	Mr. Wilson	Susan McCartney	Laurie Alden

SHORT STIRRUP



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	RIDER/OWNER	<u>HORSE</u>	<u>TRAINER</u>
Champion	Will MacLean	Trebuchet	Ashlin Bowen
Res. Champion	Ashlyn Nelson	Premier	Wendy Brownlee
3rd	Alexandra Rush	Thelonious	Wendy Brownlee
3rd	Brogan Doolan	Peppermint Smalls	Wendy Brownlee
4th	Edith Espinoza	Love & 'Appiness	Sarah Mullins
5th	Stella Kraus	Wendy Pony	Wendy Brownlee

LONG STIRRUP



The Collins Family Robin, Ted and Olivia

RIDER/OWNER

Madame Kuri

HORSE

Gotz Sennhenn

TRAINER

Ashlin Bowen

PONY HUNTERS

Champion



Franktown Meadows **Equestrian Facility** Lynne MacLean

Char	mpion
Res.	Champion
3rd	

RIDER/OWNER Isabelle Kronenberg Brogan Doolan Isabella Barkman

HORSE Surf's Up **Peppermint Smalls** My Honey Bun

HORSE TRAINER Wendy Brownlee Wendy Brownlee Laurie Alden

Pollywog Memorial Award

The Pollywog Memorial Award is given to the overall high point Hunter/Jumper pony. The award was donated by the Fisler family in memory of their pony, Pollywog.

CS Congratulations to Surf's Up

2015 SNHSA Division Winners

SPECIAL HUNTERS



Meadow View Farms Lynn and Sarah Mullins

	<u>HORSE</u>	RIDER/OWNER	<u>TRAINER</u>
Champion	First Dibs	Pat Crispino	Wendy Brownlee
Res. Champion	Avec Plasir	McKenna Owen	Wendy Brownlee
3rd	Poldi 41	Olivia Collins	Sarah Mullins
4th	Papillon	Michelle Mercogliano	Sarah Mullins
5th	The Art Connection	Lisa Mays	Juci Somogyi

MODIFIED CHILD/ADULT HUNTERS

	<u>HORSE</u>	RIDER/OWNER	<u>TRAINER</u>
Champion	The Art Connection	Lisa Mays	Juci Somogyi
Res. Champion	Avec Plasir	McKenna Owen	Wendy Brownlee
3rd	My Honey Bun	Isabella Barkman	Laurie Alden
4th	Poldi 41	Olivia Collins	Sarah Mullins
5th	Papillon	Michelle Mercogliano	Sarah Mullins

LOW HUNTERS



Windermere Farm Margo & Peter Markl

	<u>HORSE</u>	RIDER/OWNER	<u>TRAINER</u>
Champion	Moonlight Sonata	Alli Christy	Wendy Brownlee
Res. Champion	Windhoek	Sarah Smith	Wendy Brownlee
3rd	First Dibs	Pat Crispino	Wendy Brownlee
4th	Wonderhall	Tiffany McCormack	Wendy Brownlee
5th	Go Marching	Natalie Pfeifle	Wendy Brownlee
5th	Avec Plasir	McKenna Owen	Wendy Brownlee

CHILDREN'S/ADULT AMATEUR HUNTERS

Carson Valley Large Animal Clinic

Carson Valley Large Animal Clinic Kris Purcell

RIDER/OWNER	<u>HORSE</u>	TRAINER
Moonlight Sonata	Alli Christy	Wendy Brownlee
Windhoek	Sarah Smith	Wendy Brownlee
Avec Plasir	McKenna Owen	Wendy Brownlee
Wonderhall	Tiffany McCormack	Wendy Brownlee
	Moonlight Sonata Windhoek Avec Plasir	Moonlight Sonata Alli Christy Windhoek Sarah Smith Avec Plasir McKenna Owen

Co-Star Memorial Trophy

The **Co-Star Memorial Trophy** is awarded to the horse and rider combination with the most points in Special Hunters, Low Hunters, and Children's/Adult Amateur Hunters. The trophy began in the 1990s in memory of Co-Star, a quarterhorse ridden by Donna Boger in the SNHSA hunter division many years ago.

Congratulations to Alli Christy and Moonlight Sonata

EQUITATION 13 & UNDER



Brownlee Equestrian Wendy Brownlee

	RIDER	TRAINER
Champion	McKenna Owen	Wendy Brownlee
Res. Champion	Alli Christy	Wendy Brownlee
3rd	Olivia Collins	Sarah Mullins
4th	Michelle Mercogliano	Sarah Mullins
5th	Adrianna Osmetti	Wendy Brownlee

EQUITATION 14-17

ARBALETTE CASTLE RANCH

HORSE RETIREMENT AND EVENT VENUE IN THE CALIFORNIA GOLD COUNT

Arbalette Castle Ranch

Karan Eriksson

RIDER

Champion Res. Champion

3rd

Sarah Smith Emily Rye

Jordan Bader

TRAINER

Wendy Brownlee

Sue Leep

Brittany Henson

Shawna Eriksson Memorial Trophy

The **Shawna Eriksson Memorial Trophy** is awarded to the high point rider in Equitation 14-17. The trophy was donated around 2002-2003 by the Eriksson family in memory of their daughter, Shawna Eriksson.

Congratulations to Sarah Smith

EQUITATION 18 & OVER



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	<u>RIDER</u>	<u>TRAINER</u>
Champion	Lisa Mays	Juci Somogyi
Res. Champion	Leslie Biederman	Sarah Mullins
3rd	Shelley Evans	Liz Reader
4th	Katharina Greenleaf	Robert Rust
5th	Sierra Widmann	

Chili Cup Trophy

The **Chili Cup Trophy** is awarded to the rider over the age of 18 with the most points overall. The award was donated by Landess Witmer in memory of her thoroughbred mare, Chili's Love, about seven years ago.

Congratulations to Lisa Mays and The Art Connection

2015 SNHSA Mini Medal Finals



SNHSA Mini Medal winners: Champion Olivia Collins, Reserve Champion Michelle Mercogliano, Emily Rye, Isabella Barkman, Will MacLean, Gotz Sennhenn (not pictured), Ashlyn Nelson, and Elyse Welch (not pictured).

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Champion Olivia Collins on Poldi 41 and Reserve Champion Michelle Mercogliano on Papillon with trainers, Sarah and Lynn Mullins.

	RIDER/OWNER	<u>HORSE</u>	TRAINER
Champion	Olivia Collins	Poldi 41	Sarah Mullins
Res. Champion	Michelle Mercogliano	Papillon	Sarah Mullins
3rd	Emily Rye	Blue Jeans	Sue Leep
4th	Isabella Barkman	My Honey Bun	Laurie Alden
5th	Will MacLean	Trebuchet	Ashlin Bowen
6th	Gotz Sennhenn	Osolace	Ashlin Bowen
7th	Ashlyn Nelson	Premier	Wendy Brownlee
8th	Elyse Welch	Saving Grace	Sarah Mullins

Jennifer Jo Smith Memorial Trophy

The **Jennifer Jo Smith Memorial Trophy**, begun in the 1990s, is awarded to the Mini Medal high point Champion and Reserve Champion for Mini Medal points earned throughout the year.

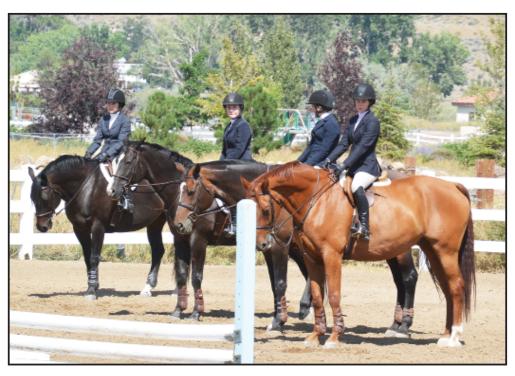
- **Elyse Welch Champion**
- Isabelle Kronenberg Reserve Champion OB

2015 SNHSA JR/AM Medal Finals



Champion Adrianna Osmetti aboard Godfrey and Reserve Champion Alli Christy on Moonlight Sonata, with trainers, Emma Clark and Wendy Brownlee.

	RIDER/OWNER	<u>HORSE</u>	<u>IRAINER</u>
Champion	Adrianna Osmetti	Godfrey	Wendy Brownlee
Res. Champion	Alli Christy	Moonlight Sonata	Wendy Brownlee
3rd	Sarah Smith	Windhoek	Wendy Brownlee
4th	Nicole Roberts	Jersey Girl	Juci Somogyi
5th	Leslie Biederman	Cartireno	Sarah Mullins
6th	Tessa Ting	Audiheir 3	Ashlin Bowen
7th	Tiffany McCormack	Wonderhall	Wendy Brownlee
8th	Natalie Pfeifle	Go Marching	Wendy Brownlee



JR/AM Medal Final top four riders, **Nicole Roberts, Sarah Smith, Alli Christy and Adrianna Osmetti.**

2015 SNHSA YOUTH COMMITTEE

2015 Youth Committee Members

Nicole Roberts - President McKenna Owen - Vice President Adrianna Osmetti - Secretary Jenna Rowan Hayley Haas Olivia Collins Alli Christy Will MacLean Julianna Osmetti Emelia Espinoza



Youth Committee members pose with Hayley Bowen, winner of the Michael & Sons raffle at the Franktown Meadows Hunter Derby.

What is SNHSA Youth Committee?

The Mission of the SNHSA Youth Committee is "to promote good horsemanship, further education and to be actively involved in SNHSA Hunter-Jumper shows." The goal of the Committee is to offer junior members a constructive opportunity to participate in SNHSA's mission and to make a difference in the local horse community.

This committee is open to all SNHSA members under the age of 18. We meet at least once a month for at least one hour. The Committee's members shape all goals and responsibilities of the Committee.

All committed Youth Committee members are eligible for volunteer service hour credits. Furthermore, this would be a great activity to put on any school resume. It is our hope that every barn be represented in the Committee so that every barn will have a voice in the Committee's activities and endeavors.

Responsibilities and Requirements

The Youth Committee is looking for dedicated SNHSA members who are looking to make a positive impact in both their riding and "every day" community. It is not too late to sign up as a member!

Requirements

- o A current member of SNHSA in good standing.
- o Under the age of 18.

Responsibilities

- o Attend monthly meetings.
 - Members 13 and under are not required to attend monthly meetings.
- o Chair at least one Youth Committee sanctioned program
- o Complete a minimum of 30 hours of volunteer service per show season (12 months) in the support of approved SNSHA events and projects.
 - Examples include: monthly meetings, selling raffle tickets, SNHSA Medal Finals, SNHSA Benefit Show, Youth Committee's fundraising initiatives (bran mash sale, tack sale, etc.), tabling and outreach at sanctioned shows and events.
 - Members who have completed or are on schedule to complete the required hours are eligible to participate in various SNHSA programs for a discounted price.

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SNHSA promotes "Excellence in Equitation" by recognizing the accomplishments of riders competing at SNHSA-sanctioned competitions. Awards are given to the top 10 junior and amateur riders based on cumulative competition-year points earned in SNHSA-sanctioned equitation divisions.

Riders must have USHJA/USEF active memberships to be eligible to participate in this program. Membership information must be provided to SNHSA prior to the end of the event for points to count. SNHSA three-venue and 10-point rules are applicable.

Congratulations to **McKenna Owen** and **Lisa Mays** on being the leading junior and adult amateur riders in this year's USHJA Excellence in Equitation Award program. As the riders with the most points accrued in the equitation divisions, they each received a scholarship to audit George Morris' clinic for one day.

2015 USHJA Excellence in Equitation Award – Children's Division

Place	Barn	RIDER	USEF/USHJA#	Total
1	Brownlee Equestrian	McKenna Owen	5232021	88
2	Brownlee Equestrian	Alli Christy	5298434	73
3	Meadow View Farms	Olivia Collins	5337787	48
4	Meadow View Farms	Michelle Mercogliano	5353387	46
5	Brownlee Equestrian	Adrianna Osmetti	5291103	44
6	Brownlee Equestrian	Sarah Smith	5318170	34
7	Brownlee Equestrian	Natalie Pfeifle	5290291	33
8	Meadow View Farms	Emelia Espinoza	5368611	22
9	Nevada Equestrian	Jordan Bader	5291256	18
10	Franktown Meadows	Will MacLean	5311005	17

2015 USHJA Excellence in Equitation Award – Adult Division

Place	Barn	RIDER	USEF/USHJA#	Total
1	Balance Point Training	Lisa Mays	4108923	58
2	Meadow View Farms	Leslie Biederman	5289221	57
3	Pair of Aces	Shelley Evans	5296083	37
4	Brownlee Equestrian	Tiffany McCormack	5251484	13
5	Franktown Meadows	Gotz Sennhenn	5301382	10

SNHSA Middle and High School Challenge

As a sport often not recognized within the traditional school system, SNHSA aims to fill this gap by acknowledging the dedication and hard work junior riders exhibit to both their school peers and their "horse" community. School teams accrue points by competing in a best middle/high school rider class offered

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at all SNHSA-sanctioned competitions and completing a horsemanship test. The school team with the most points wins. Junior riders must be in the 7th through 12th grades and SNHSA members of good standing to be eligible to participate in the challenge. Junior riders of the top ranking middle and high school must be present at the Year-End Awards event in order to receive their awards.

Congratulations to **Team Pine** for winning the Middle School Challenge. **Alli Christy** is the individual middle school rider who accrued the most points this season. Her school, **Pine Middle School**, will be notified of this outstanding achievement.

Congratulations to **Teams Manogue and Damonte** on winning the High School Challenge. **Nicole Roberts** is the individual high school rider who accrued the most points this season. Her school, **Damonte Ranch High School**, will be notified of this outstanding achievement.

2015 Middle School Challenge

RIDER	Team	Challenge Quiz	Individual Totals	Team Total
Alli Christy	Pine		6	6
Keighley Bader	FILLE			0
Adrianna Osmetti	Alberts		2	2
Julianna Osmetti	Alberts			2
McKenna Owen	Snow	1	2	2
Olivia Collins	Homeschool		1	2
Michelle Mercogliano	TOMESCHOOL		1	2

2015 High School Challenge

RIDER	Team	Challenge Quiz	Individual Totals	Team Total
Abigail Welsh			2	
Samantha Welsh				
Sarah Smith			1	
Jordan Bader	Manogue			3
Madison Pane				
Ally Sohl				
Sarah Osborne			Х	
Nicole Roberts	Damonte	2	3	3
Jenna Rowan	Damonte	2	Х	S
Chanlee Harvey			2	
Erin Murray	POA			2
Carolyn Salas			Х	

USHJA Affiliate Sportsmanship Award

SNHSA recognizes an individual, (junior, amateur, professional rider, or riding instructor) who exemplifies high-quality horsemanship, sportsmanship, and integrity with the USHJA Affiliate Sportsmanship Award.

One nominee will be chosen by a committee comprised of the Youth Committee Chair, SNHSA Board Member, and Member-at-Large by Aug. 1. This nominee will, with the support of the committee, submit the required biography, 200-word essay, photo, and application to be considered as a winner of the Sixteen Regional Affiliate Awards. Applications are due Sept. 1 to USHJA.

Congratulations to Shelley Evans for being SNHSA's 2015 Affiliate Sportsmanship Award winner, as well as USHJA's Western Region (Zones 9 and 10) winning amateur! Shelley is an amateur rider so deserving of this award due to her exemplary character and



SNHSA 2015 USHJA Affiliate Sportsmanship and Western Region Amateur Award winner Shelley Evans, jumping with her horse, Rolling River, aka Ricky.

integrity in sportsmanship and horsemanship, as described by many individuals, including trainers, fellow SNHSA members and community members. SNHSA is lucky to have Shelley as part of this organization and community.

A few excerpts from Shelley's application:

Shelley Evans, Award Applicant: I have just returned to riding and showing in the last few years, after a 16-year period in which I was establishing my professional career and did not ride at all. I am so thankful to have the opportunity to ride and show as an adult amateur. I am an active member of the Sierra Nevada Horse Show Association (SNHSA) and have been a member for the last two years. I was nervous about coming back to showing after so many years away; however, our organization is so supportive that I immediately felt welcome at horse shows and felt like a member of the community.

Now I actively participate in many SNHSA events, including clinics and horse shows. I support and cheer on my teammates and all the members of our equestrian community. When I see someone who is new to our events, I make sure to introduce myself and make him or her feel welcome, just like SNHSA members welcomed me when I was timid about re-entering the world of showing. Our organization is extremely supportive of its members, both returning and new, and this support has helped me grow as an equestrian and has given me the desire to pursue new goals.

Liz Reader, Trainer: As Shelley's trainer and instructor I could not imagine anyone being more deserving of this award nomination. It is difficult to try and put into words just what an incredible, positive impact Shelley has not only within the barn, but in her interactions with every person, and horse she comes in contact with. Without fail Shelley always has a smile on her face, a positive attitude - even when things are going terribly wrong, and is always there to encourage her teammates and her fellow competitors. She finds the silver lining in the worst situations, and is the first person to share credit and thank everyone that has helped her in the best situations. And she truly means it all whole-hardheartedly.

While Shelley and her gelding compete on the USEF/USHJA circuit, she is a huge supporter of our local SNHSA shows, attending as many as she can, and always encouraging all of the other riders there. She participates in the clinics the SNHSA offers, and is always looking to see what she can do to help at the shows. Her incredible outlook and positive energy has helped not only her teammates, but her competitors. Anytime someone is down on themselves, or dealing with a challenging horse, or in need of a pep-talk, Shelley is there. Likewise she is the first person to congratulate you on a great round, and cheer you on.

Sierra Nevada Horse Show Association Honor Society and Academic Excellence

The Sierra Nevada Horse Show Association's (SNHSA) Academic Excellence Award and Honor Society recognizes outstanding high school and middle school students. More than just an honor roll, SNHSA serves to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of scholarship, leadership, service, and character. These characteristics have been associated with membership in the organization.

Honor Society

SNHSA members that meet the Honor Society standards will be inducted into the SNHSA Honor Society. The minimum GPA standard for the Honor Society is a 3.5 Cumulative GPA or higher on a 4.0 scale. Candidates are also evaluated via a student activity application and letter of recommendation on the basis of scholarship, service, leadership, and character. Once selected, award recipients have the responsibility to continue to demonstrate these qualities. Inductees are eligible to apply consecutive years.

Congratulations to the 2015-16 Honor Society Inductees

Pine Middle School



Alli Christy

St. Albert the Great Catholic School



Julianna Osmetti

Our Lady of the Snows School



McKenna Owen

Academic Excellence

SNHSA members that meet Academic Excellence standards will be honored with this distinguished award. The minimum GPA standard for the Academic Excellence is a 4.0 Cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale. Candidates are also evaluated via a student activity application and letter of recommendation on the basis of scholarship, service, leadership, and character. Once selected, award recipients have the responsibility to continue to demonstrate these qualities. Inductees are eligible to apply consecutive years.

Congratulations to the 2015-16 Academic Excellence Inductees

The Davidson Academy of Nevada



Hayley Haas

Damonte Ranch High School



Nicole Roberts

2015 SNHSA Membership (106)

Laurie Alden Elianah Altmann Ann-Sofie Andrews Jordan Bader Keighley Bader

Isabella Barkman Emily Bennett

Bradlee Berk

Leslie Biederman

Ashlin Bowen

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Lexie Conrow

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