

### **Welcome to our first trial run at sending an electronic newsletter!**

We welcome any suggestions once you have had a chance to read through the newsletter. Please let us know what you think. You can respond directly to [marriahacres@msn.com](mailto:marriahacres@msn.com) or [terrie@larontrucks.com](mailto:terrie@larontrucks.com). If you no longer want to receive an electronic version of the newsletter but want to receive a paper copy, please e-mail [marriahacres@msn.com](mailto:marriahacres@msn.com).

### **Our club has a new web site!**

Check out our new web site at [www.tahssd.com](http://www.tahssd.com)! Please e-mail any suggestions or comments to [marriahacres@msn.com](mailto:marriahacres@msn.com) or [terrie@larontrucks.com](mailto:terrie@larontrucks.com).

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Dear TAHSSD Members:

Happy New Year! Hope you all had a great holiday season and look forward to a happy, healthy 2007. I was glad to see so many faces at our annual Christmas party and awards banquet. Congratulations to all of you that went home with an award. Last year's Board and Officers up for reelection offered to serve for another year.....so your board and officers have not changed. That means I get to serve as President for another year. Thank you for the reelection.

The 2006 highlights are too numerous to mention....so I will list just a few of our 2007 goals:

- 1) 1) check out the new website....[www.tahssd.com](http://www.tahssd.com). It is still under construction, but will soon be finished (Darlene, thanks for serving as the "website manager"!).
- 2) 2) Horse Fair----we hope to offer a breed presentation that does not focus on the show horses, rather the Arabian as a family horse. Please let me know if you have any ideas.
- 3) 3) Open Show.....see you June 2, 2007 in the Expo Building!
- 4) 4) Spring Show. Heather Swanson will serve as show manager again in 2007.
- 5) 5) Sioux Empire Fair----spread the word this is a wonderful opportunity to show your horse at a Class A show at a great facility. And....let's support the show, as either a spectator, or as an exhibitor. Let's not settle for declining numbers and interest!
- 6) 6) Newsletters will now be sent electronically. This will save time and money. (just let me know if you prefer to get a hard copy)

And much, much more....there really is just too much to mention. We are an active group----and do an excellent job in promoting the breed.

Again this year I challenge you to become more active within the Club. We always need volunteer help at all of our events.....and I can almost guarantee a good time while you help out. Horse people never seem to run out of things to talk about and certainly have a unique common ground-----our horses.

Please contact me with any comments or questions.

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### **MEETING MINUTES**

Click on the links below to view the minutes from our meetings on October 29 and December 2.

[Click here to view October 29 minutes.](#)

[Click here to view December 2 minutes.](#)

### **CLUB NEWS**

Thank you to Connie Kurtz for the many years of being Newsletter/Web Site Editor.

### **High Point**

Congratulations to the 2006 High Point winners! Don't forget to sign up this year!

[Click here to view the 2006 TAHSSD high point winners.](#)

[Click here for the high point forms.](#)

### **SD Horse Fair**

#### **Wanted! Your used tack and show clothes!**

The TAHSSD Youth will consign your used tack and show clothes and sell it for you at the Horse Fair on March 17-18. We can pick your tack up or you can bring it to the Horse Fair at the Expo Building on Friday night. Please mark all of your tack. We take 25% commission; all proceeds go to the TAHSSD Youth. Contact Wendy Hartman at 335-3649 or Terrie Larson at 368-5217 for more details.

### **Scholarship applications are due April 1!**

To be eligible for the TAHSSD scholarship award of \$500, you must be a current member of The Arabian Horse Society of South Dakota Inc. (TAHSSD) and be either a high school junior/senior or a graduate through the age of 21.

[Click here for the scholarship application](#) or e-mail [marriahacres@msn.com](mailto:marriahacres@msn.com).

### **Web Calendar**

To list an event on the calendar, please e-mail the event details to [marriahacres@msn.com](mailto:marriahacres@msn.com). It is FREE!

### **Classifieds**

The classified ad section on the web site is FREE! You will need to register online before submitting an ad and then follow the instructions online.

### **Photo Gallery**

Photo Gallery on the web site needs more pictures! Please e-mail photos with a brief description to [marriahacres@msn.com](mailto:marriahacres@msn.com).

### **MEMBER NEWS**

[Click here for the farm/member news.](#)

### **YOUTH NEWS**

**Scholarship applications are due April 1!**

[Click here for the scholarship application](#) or e-mail [marriahacres@msn.com](mailto:marriahacres@msn.com).

### **Silent Auction**

Start thinking of an auction item you would like to donate for the auction to be held at the Spring Shows. Each youth member is asked to donate one item. A \$20 minimum bid will be placed on each item. The auction will be held on the Saturday of the Spring Shows. We will set up at the Saturday am break. We will take any donation. This should be fun to see how much money we can raise! Even if you are not a youth and would like to donate an item we will take it! Please contact Terrie Larson at [terrie@larontrucks.com](mailto:terrie@larontrucks.com) for more information.

### **Talent Show**

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Youth Talent Contest will be Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> 2007 following the last class of the evening session at the SD Spring Arabian Horse Shows. Whatever your talent is, we invite you to share it with us. It is FREE! Awards to all participants! [Click here for the Talent Show form.](#)

### **Youth Lounge**

The Youth Lounge will be available to all youth participating at the Spring Shows. Free lunch daily. All day free pop and snacks. Hang out with friends, watch movies, play videos. A great place to come and relax. Sponsorships are \$100. Sponsors are announced several times a day and will receive attractive signage displayed in the youth lounge. Contact Terrie Larson if you have any questions at [terrie@larontrucks.com](mailto:terrie@larontrucks.com).

### **TAHSSD Youth Newsletter**

[Click here for the Youth Newsletter.](#)

### **REGION 6**

Click on the link below to view the Region 6 Newsletter.

<http://www.aharegion6.com/newsletter.htm>

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Check out the calendar on the web site for a detailed list of events! To list an event on this calendar, send detailed information to [marriahacres@msn.com](mailto:marriahacres@msn.com).

### **TAHSSD BOD and General Meetings**

Saturday, March 3, 2007

Board of Directors Meeting at 1 p.m.

General Meeting at 2 p.m.

Performance Plus Arabians, 46622 267<sup>th</sup> Street, Sioux Falls, SD

Please bring an afternoon snack...cookies, bars, cheese and crackers, fruit, soda, etc.!

**SD Horse Fair**

March 16-18, 2007

W.H. Lyon Fairgrounds, Sioux Falls, SD

[www.sdhorsefair.com](http://www.sdhorsefair.com)

**TAHSSD Scholarship Application Due**

April 1, 2007

[Click here for the scholarship application](#) or e-mail [marriahacres@msn.com](mailto:marriahacres@msn.com).

**Submit news to TAHSSD Newsletter**

April 1, 2007

**SD Spring Arabian Horse Show I**

April 26-27, 2007

**SD Spring Arabian Horse Show II**

April 28-29, 2007

W.H. Lyon Fairgrounds, Sioux Falls, SD

For more information, contact Heather Swanson at 605-743-2745 or e-mail

[grandviewfarms@svtv.com](mailto:grandviewfarms@svtv.com).

[Click here to view class schedule.](#)

**Silent Auction**

April 28, 2007

W.H. Lyon Fairgrounds, Sioux Falls, SD

For more information, contact Terrie Larson at [terrie@larontrucks.com](mailto:terrie@larontrucks.com) or 605-368-5723.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Youth Talent Show**

April 28, 2007

W.H. Lyon Fairgrounds, Sioux Falls, SD

[Click here for the Talent Show form.](#)

**7<sup>th</sup> Annual TAHSSD Open Horse Show**

June 2, 2007

W.H. Lyon Fairgrounds, Sioux Falls, SD

For more information, contact Kara VanBockern at 605-212-1442 or e-mail

[vanbock1@yahoo.com](mailto:vanbock1@yahoo.com)

[Click here for the class schedule.](#)

**Region 6 Pre-Show**

June 20, 2007

Brookings, SD

[www.aharegion6.com](http://www.aharegion6.com)

**Region 6 Championship Show**

June 21-24, 2007

Brookings, SD

[www.aharegion6.com](http://www.aharegion6.com)

**TAHSSD Trail Ride**

TBD

at Newton Hills

For more information, contact Kara VanBockern at 605-212-1442 or e-mail

[vanbock1@yahoo.com](mailto:vanbock1@yahoo.com).

**Other Helpful Links:**

**Bylaws**

[Click here for the bylaws.](#)

**Club History**

[Click here for the Club history.](#)

**High Point Forms**

[Click here for the high point forms.](#)

**Membership Form**

[Click here for the membership form.](#)

**Video List**

[Click here for the video list.](#)

**Who to Contact**

[Click here for the contact list.](#)

Hope to see you at the next meeting on March 3rd!

Happy Trails!

Darlene LaBelle