

# Your Presence is requested at the 2021 SDQHA Annual Meeting & Banquet

## Friday, January 7, 2022 at Casey Tibbs Center, Fort Pierre, SD

- Sponsored FREE SDQHA Social - 7:00 PM CST

## Saturday, January 8, 2022 at Ramkota Hotel, Pierre, SD

- SDQHA Board of Directors Meeting: - 7:30 AM CST
- SDQHVA Meeting - 11:30 AM CST
- General Membership Meeting - 2:00 PM CST with a Q&A session with AQHA Executive Committee members to follow
- SDQHA Banquet - 5:00 PM CST  
doors open at 4:30 PM CST

## Sunday, January 9, 2022 at Ramkota Hotel, Pierre, SD

- Cowboy Church featuring Pastor Harold Delbridge & music by Tracy Buer – 9:30 AM CST

**SDQHA Special Room Rate  
(\$99) for 1/7/22 & 1/8/22**

**Available at the Ramkota  
Hotel, Pierre, SD through  
12/31/2021:**

**Call: 605-224-6877**

**Bid Requests:** The SDQHA board will be considering bids for the Point Secretary, Secretary/Webmaster, Treasurer, and yearly SDQHA directory. If you are interested in one of these opportunities please submit your bids to President Kristen Gonsoir, [kristen@gonsoirquarterhorses.com](mailto:kristen@gonsoirquarterhorses.com) or PO Box 246, Groton, SD 57445, no later than 31 December 2021.

**Sportsmanship Nomination Request:** Please submit your nominations to Kristen Gonsoir, [kristen@gonsoirquarterhorses.com](mailto:kristen@gonsoirquarterhorses.com), or Victoria Cuka, [victoria.cuka@gmail.com](mailto:victoria.cuka@gmail.com), no later than 31 December 2021.

**Seeking Board Members:** If you are interested in becoming a board member for 2020 please contact Janet Hansen, [jpslider@msn.com](mailto:jpslider@msn.com), or Victoria Cuka, [victoria.cuka@gmail.com](mailto:victoria.cuka@gmail.com), no later than 31 December 2021.

**Seeking Donations for Award Fundraising:** If you, someone you know or a business would like to donate to the banquet, silent auction or live auction please reach out to Jodie Svenes, [svennes@vastbb.net](mailto:svennes@vastbb.net). All donations will receive a free digital full-page ad at conference events and recognition on our Facebook page and website. We will create an ad for free or use one you already have. You will be able to keep the ad for your future use.

## **AWARDS BANQUET:**

Join us in celebrating Amateur, Open, and Youth Year-end Horse Show winners (posted on [www.SDQHA.com](http://www.SDQHA.com)) plus the great winners listed below. Enjoy reuniting with horse friends, family, and help us honor fellow SD Quarter Horse.

### **SDQHA Producer of the Year:**

Lauing Ranch Quarter Horses

### **Legacy Promotion:**

Dr. John Ismay, DVM

### **Legacy Show:**

Jim Hootman

### **Legacy Race:**

Melvin Ranches

### **Legacy Ranch:**

Price Family Ranch

### **Legacy Rodeo:**

Joe Stoddard

### **Legacy Trainer:**

Merlon Fairbanks

### **Legacy Horse:**

Stage Bird Tom

### **AQHA Hall of Fame**

#### **Inductees:**

Sun Frost – 1979 Palomino  
Stallion

PRCA Hall of Fame Inductee Jim  
Sutton, Jr.

### **50 Year Breeders:**

May Brothers  
Clifford G Tibbs  
Jay H. Livermont  
Ralph R. Porch  
Raymond W. Sutton, Jr.  
Bruce Coral

## SDQHA Convention Reservations:

Please use the following form to reserve your SDQHA banquet ticket, table, 2022 membership, &/or sponsorship order or visit [www.SDQHA.com](http://www.SDQHA.com) to complete your order online.

\* Prices are based on pre-registration by December 31, 2021. Prices will increase after this date. \*

**Please Mail Form To:**

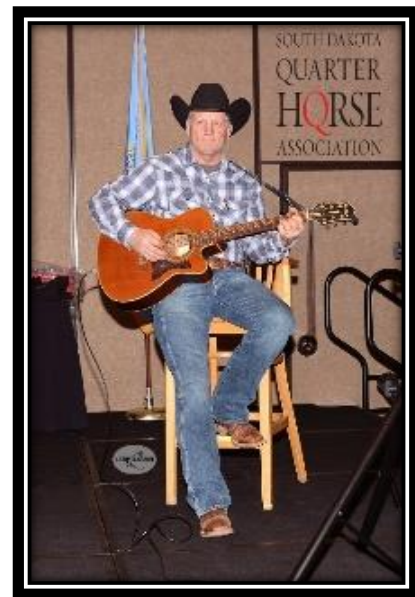
SDQHA Treasurer:  
Jodie Svenes  
413 Central Lane,  
Luverne, Mn 56156

	Price		Quantity		Total
Individual Banquet Ticket with Membership	\$65	x		=	
Individual Banquet Ticket	\$35	x		=	
2022 SDQHA Membership	\$35	x		=	
Full Banquet Table of 8 <i>Reserved Premium Seating 1 – 2022 SDQHA Membership Banquet Ranch/Business Advertising Website &amp; Facebook Advertising</i>	\$500	x		=	
Sponsorship <i>Website &amp; Facebook Advertising</i>	\$50	X		=	

**Contact:** SDQHA Secretary: Victoria Cuka, 12856 194<sup>th</sup> St, Vale, SD 57788, [victoria.cuka@gmail.com](mailto:victoria.cuka@gmail.com), 605-481-0245  
SDQHA Treasurer/VP: Jodie Svenes, 413 Central Lane, Luverne, Mn 56156 [svenes@vastbb.net](mailto:svenes@vastbb.net), 605-691-5320



**SPECIAL GUESTS: SELECT AQHA  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS**



**SPECIAL PERFORMANCE HONORING SD  
HORSEMEN & WOMEN BY RANCHER &  
WESTERN MUSICIAN Tracy Buer**

Join us to celebrate these great South Dakota horse people & horses!



**THE QUARTER HORSE ... the Heartbeat of South Dakota's Heritage!**

SUN FROST  
AQHA Hall of Fame  
2022

# CELEBRATING LEGACIES

South Dakota Quarter Horse Assn.  
Annual Social & Banquet

**JAN. 7, 8 & 9, 2022**

Pierre, South Dakota

## SCHEDULE...

**Friday, Jan. 7 ... SDQHA Social, 7PM**

Casey Tibbs Center • Ft. Pierre, SD  
Free to SDQHA Members & Legacy Honorees

**Sat., Jan. 8 ... SDQHA Annual Convention**

Ramkota Hotel • Pierre, SD

**2:00 PM ~ General Membership Meeting**

Featuring Q & A with AQHA Special Guests

**5:30 PM ~ SDQHA Legacy Celebration**

5:30 p.m. Social • 6:30 p.m. Banquet & Program

**Sun., Jan. 9 ... Cowboy Church Fellowship**

9:30 a.m. • Ramkota Hotel • Pastor Harold Delbridge

## AQHA 50-Year Breeder Honorees

May Brothers, Kyle, SD  
Jay Livermont, Wanblee, SD  
Ralph Porch, Wanblee, SD  
Raymond Sutton, Gettysburg, SD  
Clifford Tibbs, Fort Pierre, SD



Clifford Tibbs  
50-Year Breeder  
Honoree

**SDQHA 2021 Producer of the Year  
LAUING RANCH QUARTER HORSES**

## 2021 SDQHA Legacy Honorees

Legacy Promotion ... Dr. John Ismay  
Legacy Racing ... Melvin Ranches  
Legacy Ranch Family ... Dennis Price Family  
Legacy Rodeo ... Joe Stoddard  
Legacy Show ... Jim Hootman  
Legacy Trainer ... Merlon Fairbanks  
Notable Legacy Horse ... Stage Bird Tom

## Also Recognizing:

**Jim Sutton ... PRCA Hall Of Fame Inductee**  
PRCA Contractor

**SUN FROST ... AQHA Hall Of Fame Inductee**  
Legendary Stallion for Cowan Bros., Highmore, SD



Jim Sutton  
PRCA Hall of Fame 2021



Merlon Fairbanks  
Legacy Trainer



Joe Stoddard  
Legacy Rodeo

**SDQHA Producer of the Year:  
LAUING RANCH QUARTER HORSES ... Lauing Ranch owners  
Bernie & JD Lauing with lead  
stallion Bonny Blues**



Elsie Fortune Photography



Legacy Horse: Stage Bird Tom (heading)  
... 1966 stallion, grandson of King and  
owned by Dr. Robert M. (R.M.)  
Christensen

## SPECIAL GUESTS:



Norm & Lorraine Luba  
AQHA President



Tracy Buer  
Rancher &  
Western  
Musician

**SDQHA**  
SOUTH DAKOTA QUARTER  
HORSE ASSOCIATION

For ADVANCE TICKETS and Benefit Auction  
details featuring trips for Texas Hog Hunt &  
Vegas AQHA convention, visit:  
**www.SDQHA.com**  
or tickets available at the door!

For more info, contact: Shirley Wetz 605/347-8120,  
Vicky Cuka 605/481-0245 or Joni Hunt 605/538-4450.

## Dear SDQHA Members,

Members, please mark your calendars for the annual meeting and banquet extravaganza to be held January 7-9. The banquet committee is planning a great event filled with fun and fellowship while honoring many greats in our South Dakota equine industry.

I would like to congratulate Janet Hansen on her elevation to Director Emeritus during the 2022 AQHA Convention, South Dakota will have a vacancy on AQHA's Board of Directors.

We have a great opportunity to get your AQHA questions answered directly by the AQHA Executive Team immediately following the general membership business meeting. Please submit your questions to me or to Jodie Svennes prior to the banquet to allow the best utilization of questioning time.

One last item, anyone interested in applying for the following positions for SDQHA 2022; Points Secretary, Treasurer, Secretary/Website is encouraged to submit their bid to Jodie Svennes or myself prior to the annual meeting.

Thanks!



### *Kristen Gonsoir - M.S.ed.*

AQHA Professional Horseman Mentor, AQHA Level 1 and Specialized Ranch Riding Judge  
SDQHA President  
Chemistry Instructor and Speech and Debate Coach  
Fulbright Japan ICT Teacher Exchange  
NEA Foundation Global Fellow  
[www.gonsoirquarterhorses.com](http://www.gonsoirquarterhorses.com)

### 2021 Officers

President	Kristen Gonsoir—Groton	605.380.7066
VP / Treas.	Jodie Svennes—Brandt	605.691.5320
Sec.	Victoria Cuka—Vale	605.481.0245

### Youth Advisor

Becky Johnson	Mud Butte	605.490.3160
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### 2021 Board of Directors

#### **Directors - East**

Amy Krueger	Ferney	605.824.4481
Dede Cuka	Wagner	605.384.5912
Jodie Svennes	Brandt	605.691.5320

#### **Directors - West**

Shirley Wetz	Vale	605.490.1622
Bob Quickstad	Whitewood	605.645.1914
Troy Crowser	Whitewood	605.478.0080

#### **Directors - Central**

Penny Petersen	Mitchell	605.999.4274
Kristen Gonsoir	Groton	605.380.7066
Beth Price	Redfield	605.472.1772

#### **Directors At-Large**

Sheila Schelske	Reliance	605.450.8437
Heather Sutton	Gettysburg	605.769.0925
Joellen Miller	Houghton	605.252.0064

#### **National Directors**

Mike Clites	Brookings	605.690.1279
Janet Hansen	Ft. Pierre	605.280.3789
Debbi Holmes Stockstill	Virgil	605.354.3621
Jim Hootman	Harrisburg	605.368.5826
Jim Hunt	Faith	605.538.4450
Dean Johnson	Mud Butte	605.490.3161
Larry Larson	Rapid City	605.393.0900
Georga Sutton (Honorary VP)	Gettysburg	605.264.5452

# Banquet Live Auction Item: All Inclusive Texas Getaway

Donated By: Eagles Nest Ranch, Debbi Holmes Quarter Horses & SDQHA

All funds will be donated to the Gonsoir Family's Medical Expenses



Customized trip for up to EIGHT (8) people for 1 week in Coldspring, TX (North of Houston)



## Trip Includes:

- Travel credit up to \$2,000 to be applied to driving, flying or other forms of transportation during your trip
- Free lodging for up to 8 people at Eagles Nest Ranch/Debbi Holmes Quarter
- Food and beverages up to 8 people



## Set your own schedule

- Wild Hog Hunt
- Deep Sea Fishing
- The Houston Zoo
- Trail Rides
- There are endless opportunities in this beautiful area!



For more information or questions please contact Jim Hootman at 605-359-1475





# Banquet Live Auction Item:

## All Inclusive AQHA Convention Trip for TWO (2)

Donated By: Jim Hootman, Jim Hunt, Dean & Becky Johnson & SDQHA

All funds will be donated to the Gonsoir Family's Medical Expenses



[AQHA Convention - AQHA: www.aqha.com/aqha-convention](http://www.aqha.com/aqha-convention)

**Customized trip for TWO (2) to the 2022 AQHA  
Convention in Las Vegas, NV**

**Trip Includes:**

- Airfare for 2
- Hotel for 4 nights
- AQHA Convention Registration
  - President's Reception
  - 50 year Breeder Banquet
- Evening out for dinner with Dean & Becky Johnson



For more information or questions please contact Jim Hootman at 605-359-1475

# 2022 SDQHA Membership Form

**DUES:** \$35.00 for Individual - Family - Business – Corporation

**Family Membership** includes Husband/Wife and children 18 & under (open only). Children holding an amateur card or over the youth age of 18 must have their own membership as an individual.

Please note **SDQHYA** membership is a separate membership. **Youth must have a separate membership** to the SDQHYA to state qualify for the youth world or to earn youth points and awards in SDQHYA. Youth who exhibit a horse owned by someone else in their family must have the owner join the SDQHA.

**Each person exhibiting the horse must have a membership and the owner must have a membership to the SDQHA prior to exhibiting for qualification for state points and awards.**

NAME/BUSINESS: \_\_\_\_\_

FAMILY \_\_\_\_\_ INDIVIDUAL \_\_\_\_\_ BUSINESS \_\_\_\_\_ TRAINER \_\_\_\_\_ (Mark One)

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL (important for SDQHA communications): \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Check if you have enclosed an additional \$10 to have your WEB or FACEBOOK URL linked on [www.sdqha.com](http://www.sdqha.com) for the current membership year. (*\$10 for each link you would like advertised*)

WEB/FACEBOOK URL: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_ *I do NOT want my membership information printed in official SDQHA publications*

\_\_\_\_\_ *I do NOT want to receive informational mailings/emails from the SDQHA*

**Amateurs must designate at the time of membership if they want SDQHA points to go towards the amateur or the select amateur division.** Please circle each family member's division.

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ AMATEUR OPEN SELECT AMATEUR

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**Enclosed:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Membership Dues (\$35)

\_\_\_\_\_ Web/Facebook link (\$10 per link)

\_\_\_\_\_ **Total**

**Send To:**

Jodie Svenes - Treasurer  
413 Central Lane  
Luverne, Mn 56156  
svenes@vastbb.net

SDQHA Site: [www.sdqha.com](http://www.sdqha.com)

Paid with (if paid online please include invoice w/ form):

Card ([sdqha.com/store](http://sdqha.com/store))  Check  Cash

## Welcome from the South Dakota Quarter Horse Youth Association!

An SDQHYA membership has endless opportunities that await young horse lovers. If your heart is in showing, judging, riding trails or ranch work, we are excited to welcome you to our SDQHYA family. We encompass a large set of disciplines; from AQHA shows, NRHA shows to NHSRA rodeos, our youth are using their AQHA horses in many different ways.

I look forward to visiting with you and sharing a great love of the American Quarter Horse with you!

Happy Trails,

Adisyn Kuxhaus  
SDQHYA President





## SDQH YA MEMBERSHIP FORM

Welcome to the South Dakota Quarter Horse Youth Association! We look forward to watching your youth excel and have fun in a great association! First youth membership is \$20.00; each additional youth membership is \$10.00.

If the horse the youth is showing is not registered in the youth's name, a family membership from the SDQHA is required as well for points to count in the youth division. Ownership will be according to the AQHA rule book.

SDQHA forms can be obtained at [www.sdqha.com](http://www.sdqha.com). A youth must have a current membership before their points will count for year-end awards. Visit us on Facebook!

We try to keep our page updated with everything the youth are doing!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ BD: \_\_\_\_\_ (as of Jan 1) Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ BD: \_\_\_\_\_ (as of Jan 1) Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ BD: \_\_\_\_\_ (as of Jan 1) Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ BD: \_\_\_\_\_ (as of Jan 1) Email: \_\_\_\_\_

(If you are a first-year member, please circle your name above.)

Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone# \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_

**Required** \$300.00 in sponsorship for yearend awards: For those youth who desire to go to the Youth World, Congress, YES or Novice Youth World, please contact Becky Johnson.

Walk/trot and Lead line need a membership, any participation in sponsorships is welcome. Sponsorships are due by June of current year for points to be counted. Points will not count until sponsorships are paid.

Make check to SDQH YA. Mail memberships and sponsorships to:

SDQH YA C/O Becky Johnson  
19472 Nine Mile Road  
Vale, SD 57788  
605-490-7650

## 2022 Tentative SDQHA Show Dates:

*All shows are tentative, pending show approval forms. For the most current information for shows, please visit our website [www.sdqha.com/shows](http://www.sdqha.com/shows).*

Jan 20 - 27, 2022	<i>BHSS AQHA Versatility Ranch Horse Competition &amp; Winter Classic Show Rapid City, SD</i>
June 11, 2022	<i>Special Event Ranch Riding &amp; Ranch Trail Show Akkerman Arena Aberdeen, SD</i>
June 16-19, 2022	<i>Brookings Summer Shoot Out Show Swiftel Center, Brookings, SD</i>
June 24-26, 2022	<i>Black Hills Summer Circuit Show Rapid City, SD</i>
July 2022	<i>Ranching Heritage Challenge Show Rapid City, SD</i>
August 12-13, 2022	<i>Sioux Empire Fair Show Sioux Falls, SD</i>
August 21, 2022	<i>Level 1 (Novice) &amp; Rookie Horse Show Akkerman Arena Aberdeen, SD</i>
Sept 14-18, 2022	<i>AQHA Region 2 Rapid City, SD</i>