

## OHIC Annual Meeting A Success

Thanks to everyone who attended the OHIC Annual Meeting. OHIC offered a great program with three guest speakers.

First up was William Schmidt, DC, an animal chiropractor and member of the American Veterinary Chiropractic Association board of directors. Dr. Schmidt is well known and sought out as an equine chiropractor. He drove all the way with his wife from Hot Smith, Ark., to attend and speak at the meeting. Dr. Schmidt gave an overview of how chiropractic care can help horses overcome many problems.

Tony Cole, OHIC board member, and co-owner of Four Hoof Drive Adventures, explained how GPS work and how they can save your life. Johnny Fatheree of Nutrena Feeds shared with us the importance of nutrition in horses and how colic can be prevented with good nutrition.

During the election portion of the meeting, Bob Heiladge was elected president. Ann Cole was elected vice president. Lynn Dowds was elected to the secretary position and Maria Luke, DVM, will serve as treasurer. Other OHIC members elected to the board of directors include Amanda Nichols and Darrell Bilke, both elected for a two-year term. Elected to serve a one-year term on the board were Tony Cole, Shirley Givens, Sam Hamlin, Paulette Hayes and D.J. Walker. Terri Folks and Debbie Letham continue in their second year as a two-year board member.

After the officer elections and the business meeting, loads of door prizes were given out to many lucky winners.

Special thanks to those who donated gifts to the Annual Meeting: Petsmart at I-40 and MacArthur in Oklahoma City; Shirley Givens, WSG Morgans; Sam Hamlin; Maria Luke, DVM; Four Hoof Drive Adventures and the Pinto Horse Association of America.

## A special thanks



For three years, **Marva Hamlin** has dedicated herself as president of the Oklahoma Horse Industry Council. Her countless hours of volunteerism have set a high mark for those who follow in her footsteps. She is always ready to help horses in Oklahoma and the horse industry.

Thank you, Marva, for your tireless dedication! Marva has gone off the board but fortunately for the OHIC, her husband, Sam, has stepped in and was elected as a one-year board member.



**Outgoing OHIC President Marva Hamlin gives a certificate of appreciation to Ann Cole who served as the 2004 OHIC secretary.**

### OHIC 2005 Officers

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## 2005 OHIC Meeting Schedule



The Oklahoma Horse Industry Council has regular quarterly meetings and an Annual Membership meeting in January. The board welcomes your attendance and input at these meetings. Please come!

**Pinto Horse Association of  
America Conference Room  
7330 NW 23rd Street, Bethany OK  
(405) 491-0111**

**6 p.m.**

**Tuesday, February 1**

**Tuesday, May 3**

**Tuesday, August 2**

**Tuesday, November 1**

# Meet your officers

## Robert Heidlage, President

Robert "Bob" is a charter board member of Oklahoma Horse Industry Council. He served on State 4H Horse Advisory Council for 20 years. He also is president of Rogers County Free Fair Association. Rogers County Free Fair Association conducted several Fair Race Meets. Bob is past president of the Oklahoma Pinto Horse Association. He is a registered professional engineer and land surveyor and is retired from the Soil Conservation Service. Bob previously served as vice president during 2004.



## Ann Cole, Vice President



Ann Cole previously served as OHIC secretary. Ann has been involved with horses all of her life from showing to trail riding. She and her husband, Tony, operate Four Hoof Drive Adventures. They offer clinics, horse training and private lessons.

Ann is a Certified Public Accountant and Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA). She is director of the Information Services Division for the Office of State Auditor and Inspector.

## Maria Luke, DVM, Treasurer



Maria Luke, D.V.M. is a long time equestrian enthusiast. She started riding at the age of two and was active in the showing

and breeding of American Quarter Horses until veterinary school. A 1994 graduate of Tuskegee University

School of Veterinary Medicine, Dr. Luke currently operates a predominately mobile equine practice in Norman.

Her professional interests concentrate on dentistry and chiropractic medicine. A Georgia native, Dr. Luke has pursued trail riding and Cowboy Mounted Shooting since arriving in Oklahoma after veterinary school. She currently awaits the birth of a Coosa foal with hopes of showing at the 2005 AQHA World Show.



## Lynn Dowds, Secretary

Lynn just bought her first horse just a year ago and has never

regretted it. She enjoys the outdoors and trail riding. Lynn says, it just seems natural when living in Oklahoma to have a horse and to take advantage of all the available public riding areas and campgrounds.

She hopes to increase the awareness of these riding opportunities and to promote all the positive facets of the horse industries in Oklahoma as Secretary. Lynn works for the Office of Inspector General, Department of Transportation.

## Another Thank You

Another officer who cycled off from her treasurer/membership position was **Amanda Nichols**. Amanda has served the OHIC well for several years by organizing our books and keeping the OHIC on the up and up – although her last balance of the checkbook before turning it over to Maria – revealed a one cent discrepancy!

Amanda is staying involved and was elected to a two-year board of directors position. Thank you, Amanda, for your dedication to the board.

**Want to get involved? Come to our quarterly meetings!**

## OHIC Equine Limited Liability Law Warning Signs

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