## **In the News Continued**

William "Billy" Glass has announced his retirement from the Vermont Summer Festival following 35 years of tireless dedication. During his lengthy tenure at the Vermont Summer Festival, Billy ran the event's day-today operations while also spearheading the inclusion of niche offerings for exhibitors. Billy led the charge to introduce a week of World Championship Hunter Rider (WCHR) competition as well as "Equitation Tuesdays," which have become extremely popular qualifying events for year-end equitation finals. "Vermont is where I grew my career," said Billy. "We started with 200 stalls and two competition rings and have grown to 1,200 stalls and five competition rings at the event's permanent home in East Dorset. The Vermont Summer Festival has enjoyed a great run under [show organizers John and Dotty Ammerman." Doug Russell, who has served as an assistant to Billy over the past six years, will take over the reins as the Vermont Summer Festival's technical coordinator.



Sergey Zayika and Boland Photo courtesy of Sergey Zayika

Calgary, Alberta's **Zeidler Farm** is proud to welcome Sergey Zayika as a new assistant trainer. Led by Canadian Equestrian Team veteran Tani Zeidler, Zeidler Farm runs a world-class breeding program and training operation devoted to raising and training homebred horses and providing all-inclusive training programs for all levels of riding. Originally from the Ukraine, Sergey spent 12 years riding for Spruce Meadows where he trained horses of all ages and levels, as well as managed the breeding program, stallions and the overall horse program. Sergey also spent time working for Canadian Olympian Lisa Carlsen before joining the Zeidler Farm team earlier this year.

## **Congratulations**



Amanda Perkowski

Photo by Callie Heroux Photography

The Dressage Foundation's Maryal and Charlie Barnett Continuing Education for Dressage Instructors Fund has awarded grants to four individuals to attend the USDF's Instructor/Trainer Program. Shannon Bossung (Harpers Ferry, West Virginia), Carol Cunefare (Durango, Colorado), Amanda Perkowski (Cream Ridge, New Jersey) and Krystal Wilt (Sand Lake, New York) each received a \$1,000 grant to further their education as instructors. "We are so thankful to the Barnetts, whose generosity has made these instructor grants possible," said Jenny Johnson, TDF's executive director. "It's important for instructors to continue their education for the betterment of our sport as a whole." For more information, visit www.dressagefoundation.org.



Eliza Shuford Hucks

Eliza Shuford Hucks, a '96 graduate of the Foxcroft School and a grand prix rider who rode for the U.S. Equestrian Team, has been elected to the Foxcroft School Sports Hall of Fame. Eliza, whose many equestrian accomplishments include the American Grand Prix Association Rookie of the Year Award and four Nations Cup U.S. Team victories, was also delighted to hear of her Hall of Fame election. "It's quite an honor. I was very much surprised," she said. "Foxcroft meant so much to me in my development as a person and a rider."



Sydni Nusink Photo by Impulsion Images

The Dressage Foundation is pleased to announce that the 2018 Karen Skvarla Fund Grant has been awarded to young professional Sydni Nusink of Spanish Fork, Utah. Sydni intends to use the \$750 grant to ride in a clinic with Mette Rosencrantz in May. Sydni operates her business out of Summerhill Equestrian Center in Saratoga Springs, Utah. She has been a professional since 2012, completed the USDF Young Rider Graduate Program and is a USDF Certified Instructor through First Level, as well as a bronze and silver medalist. The purpose of the Karen Skvarla Fund is to provide grants enabling young dressage professionals to pursue training or educational opportunities. Congratulations Sydni!

The **Show Jumping Hall of Fame** has announced that Hunter Harrison, a longtime sponsor, supporter and owner of some of the best horses in the world; Olympic bronze medalist and former World Cup champion Norman Dello Joio; three-time Olympic medal winner Authentic, one of the top horses in U.S. show jumping history; and Sympatico, an Olympic horse who also set a Puissance world record, have been elected into the Show Jumping Hall of Fame. The new inductees will be honored at the Show Jumping Hall of Fame's annual induction ceremony held at the 2018 Devon Horse Show on Thursday, May 31. To view the complete list of inductees and the legends of the sport, visit www. showjumpinghalloffame.net. Congratulations to the new inductees!