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Presidents Message

So far this month it looks like March's lion and lamb are still feuding. I hope everyone is staying safe and healthy at home. For those of you who are on the front lines in healthcare or in one of the other essential capacities, I salute you. Stay safe!

We all need to follow safe practice guidelines as set out by the CDC and shelter-at-home except for essential trips for groceries, feed, medicine and gas. If more people adhere to these common-sense safety guidelines the sooner we can be out from under this pandemic. These practices are not only for our wellbeing, but for loved ones (ours or someone else's) to protect from potential infection. Did you know the length of most driving whips can be used as a social distancing indicator or educational tool?

As we endure the shelter-at-home orders, your board has been working through email discussion and voting on essential items until we can hold a regular meeting. We have voted to renew our website agreement and allow some needed revisions.

In the meantime, your board has canceled the May Fuzzbuster and rescheduled Michael Scott's Clinic for August 22 & 23. Our event organizers are keeping an eye on the ever evolving coronavirus issue and relevant orders as well as ADS guidelines. We are watching to see what changes and/or cancellations may be needed for future events.

With many people out of work or on reduced hours and businesses shut down, organizers need to look to our ability to raise sponsor funds and the ability of drivers to have the funds to attend clinics and enter various competitions. As much as we all would like to see life return to a semblance of normal so that we can get out and drive in groups and competitions, economics will play a huge roll in how soon this can be achieved.

We are asked to stay at home to protect the American people, our people. The Greatest Generation was asked to storm Normandy Beach and Iwo Jima to protect our allies as well as America.

It's a matter of attitude. Let's put a positive spin on this situation. We're not **stuck** at home. We're **safe** at home. Remember, someday this, too, shall pass. Drive safely.

Linda & Barbara

CDSGKC 2020 Events of Interest		
May 2, 10am Saturday	cancelled buster Schooling Show. Osage Oaks Arena, Buckner, MO. CDSGKC Volunteers needed to help.	Bobbi Wojtowicz 816-258-1952
May 30-31	cancelled Pleasure Driving Carriage Show & CT. Seward, NE 68434 Judge: John Greenall. TD: Katy Rhinehart	Garnet Blatchford garnetblat@gmail.com
July 11 & 12	5th Annual <i>My Revelation Carriage Classic</i> at Longview Horse Park. Judge: John Frieberger. TD: Susan Koso	Linda Barta lindaasb3@gmail.com
July 17-19 *new date	Skunk River Driving Trial, Skunk River Equestrian Center. Ames, Iowa 50010	Luanne Evans bitsiowa.org
Aug. 1&2	Eastern Iowa Carriage Glow CT&Pleasure Show. Delaware Co. Fairgrounds, Marion, IA www.easterniowacarriageglow.com	Laurie Renda 319-360-1078
Aug. 22&23 8am - 4pm	NEW DATE Michael Scott Clinic and Seminar. Lee's Summit Equestrian Center.	Judi Adams 913-441-3733
Sept. 11-13	40th Annual <i>Villa Louis Carriage Classic</i> , Prairie du Chien, WI Judges: Karen Homer-Brown, Steve Holm, Jessica Axelsson TD: Kail Palmer-Miller info@carriageclassic.com	Mike Rider 608.326.4436 www.CarriageClassic.com
Sept. 19&20	<i>Longview by the Lake Driving Trial</i> . Judge: Boots Wright, TD: Keith Yutzky	Barbara Kirby 816-805-8252

CDSGKC Board Notes

Because of the current "stay in place" recommendations, the Board was unable to meet in March, but they were able to vote on the main items on their agenda, including our new website. It is up but still needing a few changes, however our webmaster, Julie Kidrowski is busy helping with online work for the medical community during this emergency so it will be a while before she can make the changes. Meanwhile, the Board has voted to pay for all the work she's already done and to secure her services as website administrator for the next year.

MRCC Committee Looks to Future

With so many people out of work or on reduced hours and many businesses shut down, your *My Revelation Carriage Classic* committee is looking to the club's ability to raise sponsor funds and the ability of drivers to have the funds to enter competitions.

The MRCC committee is looking at various options and crunching numbers on whether or not to hold our July show. You can help by pledging to sponsor a class, division or whatever you can afford. Sponsor forms are at the end of this newsletter.



Way To Go, Lisa!

Lisa Packard hasn't been bored with the current Covid-19 restrictions. She has a number of her own ponies and other animals to take care of but none are ready to drive yet. But some of her many good friends decided she needed a treat and she said "yes."

So here she is having some much needed fun driving this eager VSE. This summer she's hoping to have driving one of her own between the shafts at pleasure drives and shows!

Measurement Timetable Extended

For calendar 2020, the ADS adopted new rules and procedures for Measurement of VSEs & Ponies and a requirement that all VSEs and ponies in competition have a completed measurement card before they are allowed to compete. The competition rule goes into effect [on July 1, 2020](#).

We recognize that life has changed and that many of the “measuring parties” planned by competitions and local clubs and other groups have had to be cancelled. Accordingly the ADS will be extending the timeframe for implementing the requirement to have a card before competing to [January 1, 2021](#).



How to Make Your Own Hand Sanitizer

No Purell? No problem! When disinfecting gel sells out everywhere, you can just make some yourself with stuff you (maybe) already have at home.

Read in WIRED: <https://apple.news/AUYyRiwa-R8-Sn2fL0l2Rmg>

Wise Words

ADS Judge and longtime driver, Hardy Zantke had these words for the driving community in his monthly column for the March 20th ADS "The Wheelhorse" — *But while great fun and the pinnacle of driving for many of us, competitions, club events and social gatherings are really only a small portion of the time we spend with our horses. So what better occasion than now to practice some social distancing and to just go to the barn, to groom the horses, spend some quality time with them, do some bonding, some work on the ground, some training on standing, and then hitch up and drive if you can! And time for harness & carriage cleaning and safety checks. Or just muck stalls! Our horses are retired, but in times like this, boy, mucking stalls was always a favorite time to reflect.*

Carriage You Tube Channel

A recent posting on the CD-L —

If you are trapped in the house and looking for something new to watch, please check out my YouTube channel called “Antique Carriages”. I’m trying something new and am hoping to post a new video every 2 weeks.

Here is the link:

<https://youtu.be/ILhk6qH-3is>

Please subscribe to my channel and let me know what you think.

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My Revelation Carriage Classic Sponsorship Form

Name (Business/Individual): _____

Business Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Address (Street): _____

(City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip) _____

Company Website: _____

Name as Listed on Website and in Competition Program: _____

Club Contact Person Obtaining Sponsorship: _____

All sponsors will be listed on our website for the calendar year, printed in the program, and will be announced at the event.

\$300 sponsors may have a business presence at the event, i.e. banner (sponsor provided), and two tickets to our Saturday evening meal.

- **For best PRINT quality**, email a high definition logo in digital PDF format to lindaasb3@gmail.com
- **For best WEB quality**, email a high definition logo in digital JPEG format to lindaasb3@gmail.com

Divisions: VSE (Very Small Equine), Small Pony, Large Pony, Horse, Multiples, Utility and Novice Whip

Classes (within Divisions): Turnout, Working, Reinsmanship, Timed Obstacles, Scurry and Country Obstacles

Sponsorship Level

___ Entire Division (all 6 classes) **\$300**

___ Division Championship **\$100**

___ Individual Class **\$50**

Sponsorship Selection

(List division or class & division for individual class)

1st choice _____

2nd choice _____

3rd choice _____

Special Class Sponsorships \$100 (check with show organizer for availability)

___ Signature Class: Ladies to Drive (Loula Long Combs trophy)

___ Best in Show Award

Other Sponsor Level/In Kind Amount: _____

Please make checks payable to CDSGKC & remit to Show Organizer (indicate MRCC on Memo Line)

Show Organizer

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Thank you for your sponsorship from the 2020 MRCC Show Committee!!!