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## Letter from the Prez....

appy New Year!
At the end of the month UMECRA will hold a celebration and a meeting in Rochester, MN. AHDRA (Arabian Horse Distance Riding Association) will hold their awards and a reception. Saturday morning the Board of Directors will meet, their will be a meeting of ride managers, and Dr. Colleen Carter will speak on EQUINE BEHAVIOR. I know this is a topic that has always fascinated me, especially when I volunteer in the vet area at rides. During the afternoon we will have our annual meeting. There is a lot on the agenda, so please read materials before Saturday, January 28! Discussion will be limited on many points. If you have questions concerning an issue, please contact a board member or rider representative listed on the last page of this newsletter sooner rather than later. There are offices open for election: Vice-President, Secretary Treasurer, Directors at Large, and others.

Saturday evening there will be a banquet and awards. The best part of the evening! We'll recognize the horses and riders who have accomplished so much this year. Attending will be veteran riders, ride managers and vets, and brand new folks too. Some people dress to the nines, and others choose jeans. We'll wind down after awards with a little dancing. Banquet dinners and hotel rooms have been left open until January 14. There is more information on this later in the newsletter.

Stay warm and see you soon!
Theresa Meyer
UMECRA President
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Make sure your email address for UMECRA is correct. Every month, we get bounces from 20+ people whose email addresses are no longer valid. It is your responsibility to ensure your email address is correct. Not receiving email messages from UMECRAnews@gmail.com? Check your SPAM folder and mark us as "not SPAM".

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## ANNUAL MEETING \& AWARDS!

At the 2015 Annual Meeting held in Michigan, it was decided to rotate the location of the Annual Meeting on a four-year rotation scheduled between the states with the highest membership: Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, and Michigan.

Therefore, the 2017 Annual Meeting is being held in Rochester, MN at the Doubletree by Hilton, 150 South Broadway, Rochester, MN.

Thanks to the generosity of the Minnesota Distance Riding Association (MnDRA) your convention expenses will be very minimal. The tentative three-day event is as follows:

Friday, January 27, 2017
3pm - Registration Check in items for the Tack Swap and Silent Auction
7pm - AHDRA Reception and Awards
Saturday, January 28, 2017
7am - UMECRA BOD Meeting
8am - Ride Managers Meeting
10am - Speaker: Colleen Carter, DVM (Tentative) Colic
1pm - General Meeting
5:30pm - Cocktails - Dinner - Awards - Silent Auction
9pm - DJ Music
Sunday, January 29, 2017
AHDRA\& Apdra Meetings
9am - MnDRA Annual Meeting and 2016
Awards
Questions can be directed to:
Dianne Schmidt:
Meeting Facilitator - 507-545-9937
Peggy Pasillas: Silent Auction Coordinator -651-353-7959
Nancy Salazar/Victoria Robison -

Tack Swap Coordinators njsalazar12@gmail.com victoriaridesviggo@gmail.com
Jim Andriaskos:
AHDRA President - 815-276-2043
Teresa Fett:
MnDRA President - 218-334-5711

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## CONVENTION INFORMATION!

100 rooms have been set aside for UMECRA @\$119.00. Reservations may be made by calling the DoubleTree by Hilton -507-281-8000 and mentioning the Upper Midwest Endurance and Competitive Rides Association.

Guestroom blocks will be held until January 6, 2017. After this date, any rooms in the blocks that have not been reserved will be released and made available for public sale. The DoubleTree will continue to take reservations for UMECRA as long as rooms are available Special rates may not be available after January 14.

Rates quoted are per room per night, single or double occupancy. All rates are subject to state and local taxes, currently at 14.875\%.

Parking is \$15/day at the hotel. Other parking options are available.

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Testing, Testing, 1, 2, 3...
Watch your email box in January for an test of electronic voting. 2018 Rider Representative Voting may be by electronic ballot. We are still working out the details, and the January test is part of that process.

## Looking for new places to ride in

 your area and beyond?Check out http://trailmeister.com/
Lots of information there on trails and all things trails! Search by city, state, even zip codes! You can even add trails that you know about.


## Open Positions for 2017

Open Positions for 2017 At the January Annual Meeting the following positions will be up for election: Vice President Secretary/Treasurer, Illinois Regional Director Michigan Regional Director, (2) Director at Large positions If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact Jill Feller at: feller@nconnect.net or by regular mail at: Jill Feller, N9280 County Road TW, Mayville, WI 53050 or by phone at: 920-948-9502.

The Board will be appointing the following positions at the November Board meeting: Pointskeeper and Webmaster.

If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact Jill Feller
at: jfeller@nconnect.net or by regular mail at: Jill Feller, N9280 County Road TW, Mayville, WI 53050 or by phone at: 920-948-9502

## Attention all UMECRA members! Time to renew for 2017!

## Riders Choice Nominations Sought!

It is time to make your nominations for this year's Rider's Choice Award. This award originated in 1981, and has been presented annually at the UMECRA Convention and Awards banquet following a vote of those present at the convention. This year's Rider Choice is sponsored by John Sturm.

The guidelines to be considered when nominated a horse for this honor are as follow: 1. A horse that has shown superior ability in it division
2. A horse that has been a consistent competitor 3. A horse that has shown its ability to overcome setbacks
4. Any horse, for any reasons, the nominator admires and feels is a superior representative of the "Distance Horse."
When submitting your nomination, please include a description of the horse's accomplishments and the reasons why you are nominating the horse. There is a form on the UMECRA website under the Awards tab, then scroll down all the way to the bottom of the page to Rider's Choice.

Or you can just mail or email your nomination to: Jan Sasena, 17185 Pheasant Meadow Ln SW, Prior Lake,
MN 55372, janettesasena@mac.com Deadline for Submissions is Sunday, January 22 nd.

## TENTATIVE AGENDA - ANNUAL Meeting 2017(Subject to change) <br> Role Call - Distribution of voting devices <br> Secretary Report: <br> Treasurer Report: <br> ICF Report <br> Ride Insurance <br> 2017 Ride schedule <br> Old Business: <br> -Tabled Bylaw Proposed Changes

## New Business:

Proposed Bylaw change wording from November Mtg.
Significant Re-write of bylaw authorization Rule Change Proposals - March \& November proposals
AERC Championship Ride possibilities
Promotion/Publicity Report
Ride Numbers summary Revised Comp sheet Items from Morning Bod Mtg. Election of Officers \& Board Members

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## OLA Loki Wins the Trifecta!!

In the sport of distance riding many horses, and riders, are specialists, but Loki is truly a versatile Arabian. He is the first horse in the history of distance riding in America to win championships in UMECRA (the regional level) and AHDRA (the AHA level) in all three categories: endurance, limited distance and competitive trail - thus the Trifecta!

Loki didn't do this by being the fastest, the most beautiful or having the lowest pulse recoveries. He did it by being the most enduring. In his career, he has covered almost 7000 miles in 13 years. He never fails to have the will or energy to always do more. His work ethic is amazing.

Somewhere in all of those years and miles Loki and I have gotten to be best friends. We have truly 'been over the mountain' together.

Bonnie Mielke

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## 2016 Rider/Horse Ages

I am always amazed at the resilience and longevity of our distance horses and their riders. At the end of the season, I like to average the ages of the Top Ten finishers in each division. Here are the results from the 2016 season (Rider Age/Horse Age):
L.D.: 57/14

End HW: 51/12

Comp. HW: 43/12
End LW: 57/14
Comp LW: 59/14
My intention in the following observations is not to be quoted as gospel or even taken seriously. Don't take offense anyone - just my input.

It is interesting to note that the youngest rider to finish in Top Ten was 23, but only one other rider was under the age of 30 . There were only 2 riders over the age of 70,78 being the oldest rider to finish Top Ten, but 20 riders in their 60's. Average age of the Light Weights was much higher that the Heavy Weights. Does that mean skinny, wizened up people last longer, as do their horses because they don't have to carry as much weight? Only 6 riders were men, 44 were women. What does that mean?

Oldest horse to finish Top Ten was 24, and I proud to say he was my own Bannarr. Only one horse was 5 . Only 11 single digit aged horses were in the Top Ten, but 5 were over the age of 20. That says one thing to me - our horses last because we start them slowly.

So, here is what I glean from the results as far as the target for recruiting new riders. In general, the majority are women with children or families who have reached an age to be able to care for themselves while Mom goes off trailer racing and who ride good solid horses, even if past the age that most other competitive sports would consider them "old".
In conclusion, I would like to once again quote the late, great icon of our sport, Louise Reidel: "Old age and experience will outdo youth and enthusiasm any day." RIP my friend. I am sure where ever you are, you are watching us from atop a horse

## Lori Windows

## Proposed bylaw changes from November BoD Mtg

## Article VIII Membership Section 4.

TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP. The Board
of Directors may by a majority of a quorum of the Board present vote to terminate the membership of any member who has been shown to have conducted himself or herself in a manner which is inconsistent with the goals and objectives of the organization. Thereafter such terminated member shall not be
entitled to participate in any corporate functions or other corporate activities in any manner whatsoever.

Article III, Section 7 (all new- adding to bylaws) Meetings of UMECRA shall be conducted to provide for fair discussion and deliberation in providing for constructive and democratic meetings, to help, not hinder, the business of the Corporation. While decisions shall be taken by the will of the majority, the rights of a minority to be fairly heard shall be provided. For that purpose, Roberts Rules of Order, newly revised, may be consulted to provide for an orderly process.

## Please see

http://www.umecra.com/BylawsAndRules/Propose dBylawChangesFor2017Meeting.pdf for the tabled proposed changes from last year.

## PROCEDURES FOR UMECRA'S 2017 ANNUAL MEETING

I. The agenda will follow the standard order of business
II. Voting delegates and proxies will be identified
A. The Secretary will request that each ride report to the Secretary two weeks prior to the Annual Meeting who will be serving as the ride's voting delegates or proxies at the annual meeting

1. Voting delegates and proxies will be given unique means of identification for the meeting
2. The Secretary can approve or disapprove last minute changes in proxies before the annual meeting; the Secretary's decision may be appealed to the President, but the President's decision is final
III. The meeting processes will be governed by the chair in a manner deemed by the chair to be the most efficient and effective. However, should controversies, disagreements or the need for more order arise, the chair will guided by Roberts Rules of Order for conducting the meeting
IV. The chair will announce that only voting delegates or proxies can make motions and vote
A. The chair may invite comments and questions from the general membership and may limit the length of speaking time for each general member
B. No one should speak until recognized by the chair
C. All speakers are to stand and face the majority of the audience
V. Motions
A. Only voting delegates and proxies may make a motion
B. All motions must be stated clearly. The motions will be recorded by the Secretary
C. With few exceptions, motions must be seconded before being considered for comment or discussion
D. The individual making the motion will be invited to speak first and provide reasons for the motion
E. Motions are subject to amendment by any voting delegate or proxy and may be made by making a motion to amend
F. The Chair may announce to limit or end discussion on a motion or a voting delegate or proxy may make a motion to "call or move the question" to end discussion and proceed to a vote. A motion to end discussion requires a two-thirds vote (this is because this action is limiting the rights of voting members to express their opinion on the motion).
3. If a voting delegate or proxy objects to the chair announcing a limit for the time for discussion or announces the end of the discussion of a motion they must make their objection in the form of a motion to "call or move the
question". This motion must be seconded, discussed and then a voted on.
Two-thirds of the voting delegates and proxies are required to limit or end discussion of a motion or amendments to motions.
VI. Voting
A. Voting method is determined by the chair and include:
4. Voice votes
5. Raising of hands or paddles
6. Counted raising of hands or paddles
7. Counted Standing
8. Roll call
9. Paper ballot
B. The Chair will determine and announce individuals assigned to count votes and to collect and count ballot votes, including those for elections
C. A voting delegate or proxy may move for confirmation of the chair's determination of a voice vote and request an alternative method of voting; this motion must be seconded.
If the chair agrees the alternative voting method will then proceed.
If the chair disagrees, the chair will request a vote on the motion for an alternative method of voting.
VII. Elections
A. Officers and Board of Directors
10. Only voting delegates and proxies may nominate individuals and vote on Board of Director Officers and Board Members
a) Delegates and proxies from within the State can only nominate the State Director.
b) All Delegates and proxies are then able to vote for the nominee(s).

Horses are what carry your dreams to the stars! Ruby Thorp - age 11

## Robert's Rules of Order Additional

 InformationWhy follow Robert's Rules of Order?
$\square$ Allows for democratic speech and action
$\square$ Preservers order
$\square$ Rights of the organization supersede the rights of individuals
$\square$ Facilitates group decisions

## Meeting Agendas

1. Approval of Minutes
2. Reports (from officers, committees, task forces)
3. Unfinished Business (replaces term "old business")
4. New Business - items brought forward by motion procedure

## Meeting Minutes

$\square$ Minutes are a legal record of meetings and the organization.
$\square$ Minutes are a record of what is done at a meeting, not what is said.
Minutes should include:

1. Name, date and location of meeting
2. List of attendees (note presence of a quorum)
3. Time meeting was called to order
4. Conflict of Interest \& Antitrust Avoidance

Affirmation
5. Approval of previous meeting minutes
6. Motion text and name of maker
7. Status/results of motions
8. Time meeting was adjourned

Minutes do not include:
$\square$ Discussion
$\square$ Personal opinion
$\square$ Name of seconder of a motion is not necessary
$\square$ Motions withdrawn
$\square$ Entire reports (rather attach to minutes)

## Motion

$\square$ A motion is a formal proposal by a member that the group take a certain action or position.
$\square$ A main motion is required to begin the decision making process.
$\square$ A motion occurs prior to discussion

## Ground Rules for Debating

$\square$ Remarks must be germane (relevant and appropriate to the discussion); stay on subject.
$\square$ Debate issues, not personalities

## Subsidiary Motions

Assist in treating or disposing of a main motion
$\square$ Postpone Indefinitely = a way to dispose of an embarrassing motion before it can be
brought to vote
$\square$ Amend = a way to clarify or modify wording

- Amendments should say exactly where in the main motion the change is to be
made, and precisely what words to use.
- Amendments must be germane
- Follow the motion process for an amendment, then follow procedure to vote on
the newly revised main motion.
- Rather than amend an amendment; ask group to strike down the pending
amendment vote then offer a different version.
$\square$ Commit/Refer = when additional time or information is needed, the item may be sent to a committee or task force (either an existing or newly created)
- Before voting on a main motion, you may feel the main motion may require
additional study and/or redrafting.
- Motion to commit or refer should specifically state the committee and deadline
- A special committee may be formed through the motion to commit (motion should include committee make-up and deadline) - Motion is debatable, but only about the matters of the referral and not on the main motion
$\square$ Postpone to a Certain Time = to move to a later time on the agenda or to the next meeting
- A time is specified when motion will be addressed
- Preferred over laying on the table
$\square$ Limit or Extend Debate = when circumstances call for shorter or longer speech
$\square$ Previous Question = to close debate and bring to an immediate vote
$\square$ Lay on the Table = lay motion aside temporarily without setting a time for its consideration
- Taken up again, via motion process, when the majority decides
- Often misused term for postpone to a certain time


## Motions that Bring a Question Before the Assembly Again

1. Take from the Table = resume consideration of a main motion
2. Rescind, Repeal or Annul = cancel something that has been previously adopted
3. Amend Something Previous Adopted = proposal to modify wording or text previously adopted

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4. Discharge a Committee $=$ if a question has been referred or a task assigned to a committee that has not made a final report the committee may be discharged to allow the Board to take action or to drop the motion 5. Reconsider = within the same meeting a motion has been voted on the question may come before the assembly again as if it had not been voted on

## Robert's Rules of Order Information for Chairs <br> Effective Presiding

1. Start On Time
2. Stick to the Agenda
3. Memorize Frequently Used Procedures
4. Make Sure All Know What is Being Debated and Voted On
a. See that motions are worded clearly
b. Repeat wording of motions frequently
c. Make the effects of amendments clear
5. Learn How to Conduct Voting

Voting
Types of Votes

1. Majority* $=$ More than half of the votes cast by persons entitled to vote, excluding blanks or abstentions. Whenever a majority vote of the Board of Directors is taken, it shall mean of the quorum present.
2. Two-Thirds = two-thirds of the votes cast by persons entitled to vote, excluding
abstentions. Whenever a two-thirds vote of the Board is required, it shall mean of the entire Board whether voting or not.
3. Majority of Entire Membership = a majority of the total number of those who are members of the voting body at the time of the vote
*Note: A majority vote is different than a plurality vote, which is the largest number of votes (which may be less than a majority) when there are three or more alternatives. Under Robert's Rules of Order, a plurality vote is not sufficient. Re-vote to achieve a majority.

## Voting Methods

1. Voice Vote
2. Standing Vote
3. Show of Hands Vote
4. Counted Vote
5. Ballot Vote

## Putting the Motion to a Vote

When no one seeks the floor to debate, the chairman asks, "Is there any further debate?"

## Voice Vote

The question is on the adoption of the motion that ... (repeat the motion)
Those in favor of the motion, say aye
[pause]
Those opposed, say no
[pause]
The ayes have it and the motion is adopted - or -

The noes have it and the motion is lost

## Robert's Rules of Order Information for Chairs

Show of Hands Vote
The question is on the adoption of the motion
that ... (repeat the motion)
Those in favor of the motion will raise the right
hand
[Pause]
Thos opposed with raise the right hand
[Pause]
Majority vote:
The affirmative has it and the motion is adopted

- or -

The negative has it and the motion is lost
Two-thirds vote:
There are two-thirds in the affirmative and the motion is adopted.

- or -

The are less than two-thirds in the affirmative and the motion is lost

## Counted Show of Hands Vote

The question is on the adoption of the motion that ... (repeat the motion)
Those in favor of the motion will raise the right hand and keep it raised until counted
[Pause]
Thos opposed with raise the right hand and keep it raised until counted
[Pause]
There are $\qquad$ in the affirmative and $\qquad$ in the negative

## Majority vote:

The affirmative has it and the motion is adopted - or -

The negative has it and the motion is lost
Two-thirds vote:
There are two-thirds in the affirmative and the motion is adopted.

- or -

The are less than two-thirds in the affirmative and the motion is lost.

Robert's Rules of Order Cheat Sheet HOW TO INTRODUCE NEW BUSINESS - The
Main Motion Process
1 - Member makes a clearly worded motion to take action or a position.
-"I move..."

- Motions recorded in minutes


## 2 - Motion must be seconded.

-"Second!"
-A second allows discussion to occur; it does not signify approval.

- A motion without a second does not move forward.


## 3 - Chairman restates the motion.

-"It is moved and seconded that..."
-Provides clarity

## 4 - Discussion/debate occurs.

- Maker of motion starts discussion.
- Ammendments may be offered - return to step 1 to ammend motion: "I move to amend
the motion by...


## 5 - Chair closes discussion and states the question/asks for a vote.

-"The question is on the adoption of the motion
that..."

- Motion repeated word-for-word


## 6 - Chairman provides voting directions:

-"Those in favor of the motion, say aye";
""Those opposed, say no"
7 - Chairman announces the result of the vote:
-"The ayes have it, and the motion is adopted" or
-"The noes have it, the motion is lost."
-Recorded in minutes

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Address for cheaper Parking at Rochester Convention: The address for flat lot parking 3-4 blocks from the Double Tree.
(Check in and drop your luggage off first.)
Cost is $\$ 3 /$ day Monday-Friday. If you come before 5pm on Friday, you will pay $\$ 3$. The weekends should be free.
There is a pay box in the lot.
Civic Center North Lot
317 E Center Street
Rochester, MN 55904

| 2017 UMECRA TENTATIVE Ride Schedule |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 2017 Ride Date | Ride Name | Ride City | Ride <br> State | RM1 First | RM1 Last |
| 4/22-23 | Brighton Compeetive Trails Spring | Howell | MI | Lisa | Germann |
| 5/14 | Mothers Day |  |  |  |  |
| 5/6-7 | MnDRAI | Hinckley | MN | Theresa | Meyer |
| 5/6-7 | Kettes \& Bits | New Prospect | W | Jos | Seefeldt |
| 5/13-14 | Glacier Trails | Palmyra | W | Romona | Radke |
| 5/20-21 | Border Battle | StCroix Falls | m | Deb | Moe |
| 5/27-28 | Grand Island | Rapid River | MI | Kathy | Macki |
| 5/29 | Memorial Day |  |  |  |  |
| 6/2-4 | Endure Ride | Chandlerville | IL | Nicole | Mauer-Storer |
| 6/3-4 | Maplewood West | Pelican Rapids | MN | Diane | Schermerhorn |
| 6/10-11 | ApDRA | Palmyra | W | Dawn | Haas |
| 6/18 | Fathers Day |  |  |  |  |
| 6/17-18 | SE MN | Preston | MN | Dianne | Schmidt |
| 6/24-25 | Grand Island North | Limestone | MI | Karen | Bahrman |
| 6/24-25 | Dead Dog Creek | Kinmundy | IL | Linda | Mowrer |
| Tues 7/4 | Fourth of July |  |  |  |  |
| 7/1-2 | Endless Valley | Spring Green | m | Linda | Jacobsen |
| 7/8-9 | AHAM/Hopkins Creek | Manton | MI | Gene | Dake |
| 7/15-16 | Mosquito Run | Rogers | MN | Peggy | Pasillas |
| 7/22-23 | Pine Marten Run | Wetmore | MI | Karen | Bahrman |
| 7/22-23 | AHDRA I- My Backyard | Wyanet | 1 L | Lori | Windows |
| 7/28-30 | Bonecrusher Ride | Palmyra | W | Amber | Erickson |
| 8/5-11 | Shore-to-Shore | L Huron to L Michigan | MI | Bruce | Birr |
| 8/12-13 | Louise Reidel Memorial | Arkdale | W | Elinore | Tonsor |
| 8/19-20 | Rock River Charity | Uica | 1 L | Tony | Troyer |
| 8/19-20 | Run for the Cactus | Granite Falls | MN | Maass | Sarah |
| 8/26-27 | Northern Highland | Conover | W | Jackie | Ollhoff |
| Mon 9/4 | Labor Day |  |  |  |  |
| 9/9-10 | Charity Cup | Pillager | MN | Darlene | Molitor |
| 9/9-10 | Keweenaw | Marquette | MI | Karen | Jarvi |
|  | Lincoln Trail | Kinmundy | 1 L | Ruth | Stewart |
|  | Colorama Classic | Greenbush | W | Pam | Cotton |
| 9/16-17 | Tin Cup Springs | Luther | MI | Becke | Grams |
| 9/23-24 | Run for the Ridge | Fairfax | MN | Sarah | Maass |
| 9/30 | Metro Express Ride | Milford | MI | London | Bev |
| 10/6-8 | DRAWarama | Palmyra | W | Joslyn | Seefeldt |
| 10/14-15 | Iron Oak | Arkdale | Wi | Ruth | Casserly |
| 10/14-15 | Oak Leaf Run | Hamilton | MI | Barb | Kuri |
| 10/20-21 | Point Chaser | Theilman | MN | Bob | Egerer |
| 10/28-29 | AHDRA III-Big River | Keithsburg | IL | Jim | Andriakos |


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## 2016 UMECRA CONVENTION DINNER MENU

- Orchard Salad: Mixed Greens with Roasted Apples, Candied Walnuts and Bleu Cheese served with a Yogurt Poppy Seed Dressing
- Red Potatoes Roasted with Garlic and Rosemary
- Asparagus with Lemon Garlic Butter
- Bakery Fresh Rolls
- DoubleTree Cookie
- Coffee


## ENTREES (Select one)

Tuscan Stuffed Chicken Boneless Chicken stuffed with Prosciutto Ham, Caramelized Onions, Spinach, Sun-Dried Tomatoes and Gouda \$32.00
Parmesan Crusted Walleye Pan-Fried Parmesan Breaded Canadian Walleye served with Tartar Sauce and Lemon Wedges
New York Strip Center Cut, Black Angus Strip Steak finished with a Port Wine Reduction .... $\$ 41.00$ Child's Plate (10 yrs \& under) Fresh Fruit Cup, Hand Breaded Chicken Tenders, French Fries, Milk . $\$ 15.25$
Chef's Choice Vegetarian Meal.

| Name(s) | Chicken | Walleye | Steak | Child | Veg | Cost |
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| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Add $\$ 5.00$ convention fee to dinner request.
Total cost for food
\$5/each Convention fee
$\qquad$

Total amount

Send your check made out to UMECRA to:
Dianne Schmidt, 319 Summerfield Dr NE, Eyota, MN 55934
Questions? Email diannerusty01@gmail.com

You did HOW MANY miles this season. WOW! Mileage chevrons for endurance and competitive will be at the registration table for you to pick up.
You can also help by picking up for your neighbor or friend who was unfortunately unable to attend convention. Or even, find a "leftover" from years past.
If you are receiving your VERY FIRST chevron for either endurance or competitive see Theresa AFTER awards for a discount certificate for a vest to
proudly display this and future mileage awards.
Looks like an exciting time! See you all in Minnesota! Awards, Max

## Tail Ribbons Have A Meaning!

Watch for these unspoken signals when on the trail, at the show or around the barn:

Caution: Stay Back I'm Green Or I'm A Young \& InStallion! Experienced

I Am For Sale!

Stallion Or Aggressive Gelding Moody Mare Kicks!


Deadline for Next Newsletter:
$5^{\text {th }}$ of each month
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