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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE...

The general election is over. Gov. Ridge won in hand.

The PA-THA election is now in progress.

Your vote is powerful and important. Please exercise your right to vote.

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Roger Legg, president of the D.P.H.A., preferred not to run for re-election. Roger devoted a lot of time and effort for his horsemen at Delaware Park.

We wish him the best upon his retirement.

Betsy Gruwell was elected president of the D.P.H.A.. Congratulations, Betsy.

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The THA held its quarterly meeting at the Sheraton Valley Forge Hotel, King of Prussia, Oct. 2. Our division was host. Sal DeBunda orchestrated the convention. Job well done.

The agenda at the meeting:

M A T C H update.

N . T . R . A . drug testing task force.

Grass preference rule.

Health care report given by Michael Ballezzi.

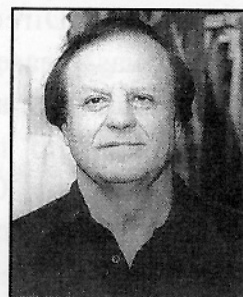
Uniform coggins rule similar to New York rules.

Coggins due Jan. 1 of each year.

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Power By Far, trained by local trainer Anthony Correnti and owned by Barbara Geraghty, on Saturday, Oct. 3 won the Montpelier, \$75,000 guaranteed.

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Larry Riviello, President



POWER MEETING with (l. to r.) PA-THA Vice President Sal DeBunda, Executive Director Mike Ballezzi, Gov. Tom Ridge and President Larry Riviello.

HORSE RACING LOSES A CHAMPION

Joe Sena, a dedicated and much respected horseman who moved easily among a number of careers and was successful at everything he tried, died suddenly Nov. 6.

He was 57.

A graduate of the University of Pennsylvania School of Dentistry, Sena maintained a practice in dentistry until the end while at the same time guiding a winning horse racing operation in Nauset Stable.

In addition, he was a professional bowler in his younger days and he and his father, Louis Sena,

were instrumental in helping to start the pro bowlers' tour.

"Dad spent three days a week at his dental practice and four days at the racetrack," said his son, Joe Sena Jr. a practicing lawyer and a horse owner himself who currently is a candidate for election to the PA-THA board of directors.

The senior Sena inherited his love of horse racing from his father, whom he joined in breeding and racing thoroughbreds not long after he graduated from dental school in 1964.

Joe Sena Jr. started as a groom

for his dad and worked his way up to foreman in assisting both his father and Henry White, who also trained for Joe Sena, Sr.

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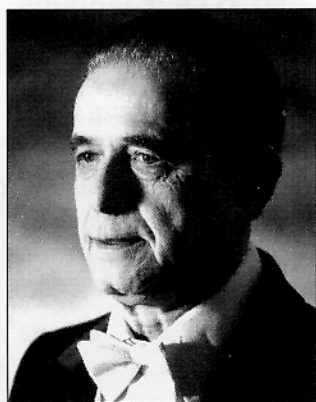
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from the desk of
THE
EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR
MICHAEL BALLEZZI

Executive Director Mike Ballezzi was pleased with the fine turnout at the annual general membership meeting of the PA-THA on Oct. 21 at Fisher's Tudor House.

The Executive Director considered the meeting particularly important since it was the first opportunity to advise the general membership of performance under the new contract over its first nine months.

Although a lengthy written report on said performance was passed out at the meeting, the Executive Director still wishes to report to those who haven't received the written material that purses increased by 15 percent, which he attributes directly to the horsemen receiving a percentage of race track revenues as a condition of the contract.



IZZY SCHWARTZ -- Honored along with Gene Koons on retirement from PA-THA Board of Directors.

The Executive Director was also pleased to point out that the \$200,000 management is committed to spend on improvements yearly over the life of the contract is already evident in the new walking ring and paddock and in the plexiglas panels installed in the barns that have greatly enhanced lighting in the interiors. He said the obvious results of the agreement on appearance and safety are only a forerunner of improvements to come and that exciting developments are planned that hopefully will be completed in the coming year.

As reported in this column last newsletter, horsemen can expect within the next few weeks that new roofing material will be applied to the barns, new sheds will replace old ones and the backstretch will be paved. Patience is asked as some minor inconvenience may result which the Executive Director will try to keep to a minimum.

The Executive Director also reported to the general membership on the upcoming election for President and Board of Directors of the PA-THA and expresses his desire that progressive policies initiated over the last couple of years will be confirmed and continued by the results of the voting. He



FOND FAREWELL -- President Larry Riviello and Board members Ralph Riviezzo and Ralph Delaney flank Gene Koons, who was honored on his retirement from the PA-THA Board of Directors.

anticipates that all eligible members will vote and sign their ballots and mail them in time to be postmarked by Dec. 31, 1998.

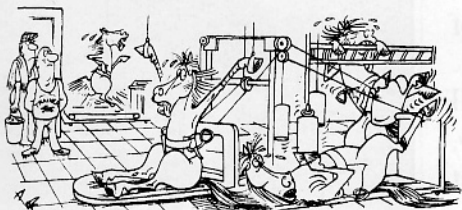
The Executive Director expresses his gratitude to Gene Koons and Izzy Schwartz on their retirement from the Board of Directors on the contributions they have made over the years that have helped to establish the PA-THA as a leader in the industry. Gene and Izzy will be missed.

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As a postscript, it was promised at the general membership meeting at Fisher's that President Larry Riviello, Vice President Sal DeBunda and Executive Director Ballezzi would meet with Gov. Ridge to discuss recent developments regarding slot machine legislation.

The meeting took place two days later in the office of Steve Wojdak, lobbyist for the PA-THA (See photo in President Riviello's column on Page 1).

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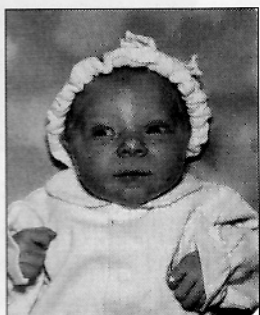


BACKSIDE VIEW... Up Close and Personal

Anniversaries • Birthdays • Special Occasion Announcements • Get Well Wishes • etc.
for All Members of the PA-THA and their Friends and Familys
Submit any Info and/or Photos to the PA-THA Office
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Guadalupe Preciado and Wendy Mutnick are celebrating the birth of a baby boy, Joseph Daniel, who weighed in at 9 pounds, 7 ounces on Oct 14.

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Equally joyful and receiving the congratulations of family and friends are Michael and Stacie Mullin on the birth of their daughter, Jaclyn Samantha Mullin (accompanying photo), who was born Oct. 2 and weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces.

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The Jockeys Guild Disabled Riders Fund was the beneficiary of money raised through a recent golf tournament at the Hickory Valley Golf Club that was won by Ed Lehman and Jack Hubbert (pictured here).

Rodney Soodeen won the Long Drive competition while Chris Warren was Closest to the Pin.

Individual holes were sponsored by Michael Chovanes V.M.D., Our Farm, Inc., Gambone Bros. Construction, the Jockeys Guild, James Boulmetis and Eric Juvonen, Jeff Lloyd and Ray Lopez, Pamela Cohen M.D., Trin-Brook Stable, Roberto Alvarado and Mike



DeJesse, William Hartwell, Bernard G. Dunham, Tony Black, Cloud Nine Horse Transportation, the PA-THA, Philadelphia Park, Mary Goodman, Mitch Wapner and Steven McBride V.M.D., Whips International, Inc., Greg Stanalonis and William Starritt.

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Ellen Waters (shown here about to be tested) was one of 30 women to receive mammograms last month that were administered in the Administration Building by the Lower Bucks Hospital Mobile Unit under the auspices



of the Bucks County Department of Health and in conjunction with the PA-THA Benefit Trust.

✿ ✿ In Memoriam ✿ ✿

Condolences are extended to trainer Robert Seeger on the death of his mother, Elizabeth Mae Seeger, who passed away Nov. 17.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to:
Doyle School
Holiday Fund
c/o Pat Laughlin
160 Northwest St.
Doylestown, PA 18901



THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Thanksgiving has come and gone and we've taken a brief time to pause and reflect upon the meaning of the day. Now our thoughts turn to Christmas and Hanukkah, two rich religious traditions which millions of people will be celebrating. Hanukkah begins at sundown on Monday, Dec. 13 and Christmas is celebrated on Friday, Dec. 25.



Hanukkah, the Festival of Light and Dedication, recalls a time long ago when the Jewish people, led by Judah Maccabee, fought a king named Antiochus for the right to worship their one God, instead of the many gods of the Greek religion. When the Jews won the battle, they cleared away the statues of the Greek gods and rededicated their Temple to one God. Then they celebrated for eight days.

According to history, Judah Maccabees searched for some pure oil to light the Temple menorah, but found only enough to last one day. But then a miracle occurred. The oil burned for eight whole days. That miracle of lasting light has come to symbolize the meaning of Hanukkah, a celebration of the freedom and determination of Jewish people to practice their religious beliefs freely.

December 25 was once a pagan holiday, you know. This is the date of the Roman Saturnalia, a celebration of the return of the sun. To Christianize this date and to remove the pagan customs,

Pope Liberius, in the year 354, declared this day the birthday of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Some of the customs we still practice — evergreens, holly, ivy, mistletoe — were pagan first and then given Christian significance. One is beginning to think, because of the commercialism of Christmas, paganism might be reclaiming them. We need to Christianize Christmas all over again.

There is a fine old film that makes an appearance on the late show every Christmas. It's called "Miracle on 42nd Street." It's the story of how good old St. Nick made a little girl's Christmas wishes come true.

The story is charming enough, but there is a problem with it. It shows how little we expect from Christmas. All some people want is for their wishes to be granted. Some are satisfied with the miracle of peace on earth, of friendship, of gifts and all the other "stuff" of Christmas.

In the process, the true miracle of Christmas doesn't do anything for us. What Christmas is really all about is that God in Christ Jesus is with us every day. Winning or losing, Emmanuel, God, is with us. This is the true wonder of Christmas.

Let us trust God who does the impossible. Trust in the God of Hanukkah and Christmas who brings good out of bad things. Let us trust God because He works for good in all things with those who love and serve Him.

May the God of this season enrich your life with blessings and divine love.



Chaplain Nicholas Salios



SPECIAL NOTES:

Nurses representing the Bucks County Department of Public Health administered almost 200 flu shots on Monday, Nov. 9. The nurses said they enjoy visiting the track. A couple of horsemen asked about the flu shots.

"No problem," they said. "We're public health nurses."

The Health Clinic continues with nurses from LaSalle every Saturday, 9 a.m.-12 noon, for those needing blood pressure readings, tests, referrals or questions answered. Clinic is held in the classroom next to the track kitchen.

AA and NA meetings, followed by a meal, continue every Wednesday at 12:30 p.m. on classroom next to the track kitchen.

Jockey time with the chaplain, Tuesdays, 11:30-12 noon, jockey's room.

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CHRISTMAS SEASON— OFFICE OF THE CHAPLAIN:

First week in December—

Christmas charity days, trim-a-tree-for-miracles, begin on the frontside the first Wednesday of December. Approximately 20 non-profit organizations are invited to participate by decorating trees in themes that represent their organizations. The Race Track Chaplaincy places a tree with ornaments made by children each Christmas. Trimming the tree begins at 9 a.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 2 — Chapel service and meal, 5:30 p.m. in the Rec Hall for those remaining on the backstretch.

Sunday, Dec. 6, 11 a.m.— Morning worship and Holy Communion in the Rec Hall. Refreshments and fellowship follow the service. First Sunday in Advent.

Wednesday, Dec. 9 — Special chapel service, Christmas caroling and dinner, 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 16 — Chapel service and meal in the Rec Hall, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 19 — Children's Christmas party in the Rec Hall for all children of Philadelphia Park horsemen. Sign up on the Chaplain's Office by Monday, Dec. 14. Santa's workshop, country store, puppet theatre, musicians and holiday music, Santa and gifts, pizza lunch. Volunteers needed to help Santa wrap gifts.

Monday and Tuesday, Dec. 21 and 22 — Delivery of Christmas gifts to dorm rooms.

Wednesday, Dec. 23 — Christmas candlelight service at 5:30 p.m., followed by a meal.

SAINT NICHOLAS DAY DECEMBER 6

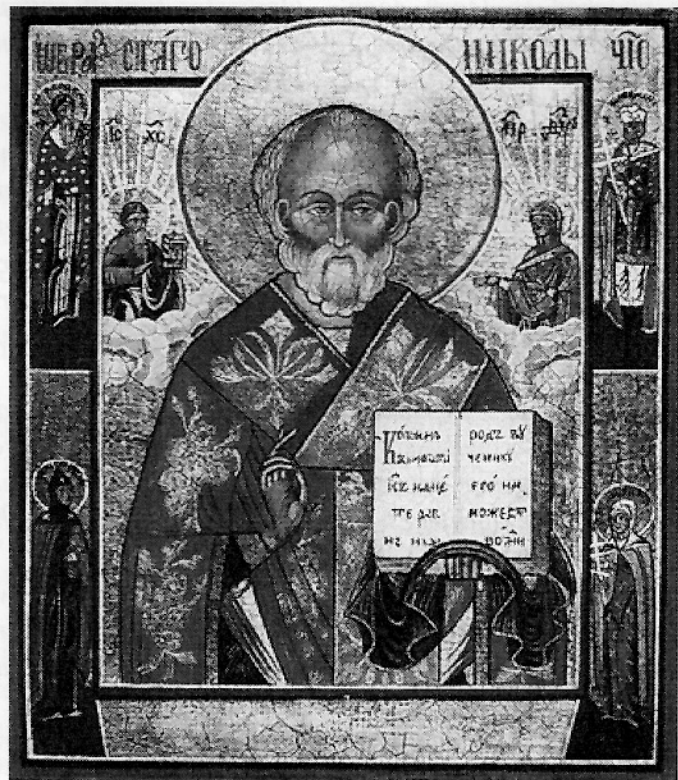
Saint Nicholas, Bishop and confessor of the fourth century, was one of the most popular saints of the Christian calendar. Part of the Council of Nicea, he helped to write the Nicene Creed often used in worship services. More chapels and churches have been dedicated to him than any other saint.

Saint Nicholas is the patron saint of school children, sailors, the Russian people, scholars, fishermen, dock workers, brewers, travelers, pilgrims and those who have unjustly lost lawsuits. He is invoked against robbers and is the patron saint of pickpockets and thieves. He is known to have inspired tightfisted and sting people to generosity in this special season.

Because this Advent saint was so popular, he was impersonated by a person with a white beard, in the vestments of a bishop, who was kind to children.

In Holland, even after the Reformation, Sinter Klaus, in bishop's vestments and riding a white horse, traditionally visited children on the eve of his feast day.

In this country, Santa Claus was brought to New York by the Dutch and was combined with the English Father Christmas.



THE JUDGE AS A FORCE TO BE RECKONED WITH

by Larry McMullen

When I first entered the world of the backstretch a couple of years ago, labor relations between horsemen and management seemed outdated and strange. As a columnist for the Philadelphia Daily News, I'd been a longtime member of the Newspaper Guild, a union that over the years had scored hard-earned gains with newspaper owners in pensions, health care and salaries.

When I started in the news business in 1964, less than two months after the assassination of a President, John F. Kennedy, that shook the world and started a brave new era for people working in the media, newspaper management had a reputation for being tight-fisted — read that stingy — and unwilling to enter the 20th century on even the most basic of benefits for its employees.

I was shocked to learn soon after my daughter Coleen and I were hired by the PA-THA to produce its newsletter that the horsemen hadn't even reached that level of accommodation with racetrack management.

Pensions were unheard of. Health care for backstretch personnel was scattered and uncertain.

Management held all the cards in such important financial facets of the business as simulcasting. Due process for horsemen accused of wrongdoing by management was almost non-existent.

For someone accustomed to a labor movement that functioned on results fashioned out of long, hard strikes and negotiations, it was almost like traveling back in time to the turn of the century.

Huge changes were already underway for horsemen, but it was hard to detect at first. Steamrollers always start slowly.

When negotiations started about a year ago over a new live racing agreement, a new breed of horsemen that had its sights on the future had assumed leadership of organizations such as the PA-THA, educated, professional people like lawyers Mike Ballezzi and Sal DeBunda, longtime, successful businessmen like Larry Riviello, a tough, one-time Fairmount Guard policeman in Ralph Riviezzo, and horsemen who had a lifetime of experience in their sport such as Gene Koons and Ralph Delaney.

Negotiators for the horsemen also had more than a touch of culture and class on their side in a violinist from the Philadelphia Orchestra turned enthusiastic and dedicated participant in the Sport of Kings, Izzy Schwartz.

Gains made in last year's live racing agreement, including a \$125,000,000 purse contract tied to percentages of the racetrack's revenues, due process for horsemen and an extension of guaranteed revenues from slot machines when that particular revolution hopefully arrives in Pennsylvania, were historic almost as much for the new direction they foreshadowed for horse racing as for the tangible results.

Health insurance was now a fact of life with potential future improvements almost an accepted fact.

Pensions, which weren't even a dream just a couple of years ago,

are now a serious matter for discussion among horsemen's groups.

Slot machines have become a matter of renewed bargaining sessions between members of the PA-THA Board of Directors and key legislators in Harrisburg.

If live racing is halted for any reason at Philadelphia Park, simulcasting is immediately halted, too, removing an unfair financial advantage once held by racetrack management.

At last, this was a labor movement I could recognize.

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PA-THA Executive Director Mike Ballezzi has faced off against Philadelphia Park CEO Bob Green across a bargaining table a number of times in the last three years, including twice while negotiating live racing agreements.

It wouldn't be fair to characterize the sessions as bare-knuckle affairs, but it wouldn't be far from the truth, either.

Which is probably why Green stood up at an awards banquet attended both by horsemen and track management and delivered a slightly irreverent and profane pronouncement on Ballezzi's style and ability that drew appreciative laughs from the entire audience.

Green acknowledged major gains by the PA-THA during Ballezzi's tenure and said the Executive Director was one of the toughest negotiators he had ever faced.

He didn't put it exactly that way. The irreverent and profane part has been altered in order to avoid offending tender sensibilities.

But the message was clear. It might not have been intended as an endorsement, but that's what it turned out to be and that's how it was perceived by the crowd.

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Ballezzi's style as Executive Director of the horsemen's organization is reminiscent of old-line politicians like Congressman Bill Barrett, who returned from Washington almost on a daily basis to receive constituents in his South Philadelphia office and respond to their complaints and needs.

Sometimes the requests would be basic, like a poor family needing a load of coal to fuel their furnace in the winter, and sometimes it would be more involved, like parents asking for help in getting a son accepted by a military academy.

The people would line up outside Barrett's office and the almost endless procession threading in and out reminded some of a priest hearing confession, causing the Congressman to become known as The Reverend.

Barrett was so popular, he served 29 years in Congress, winning election 15 consecutive times, the last after he'd already been dead two weeks. It was a level of approval not gained by many politicians.

Ballezzi subscribes to the same notion of service, keeping the door to his office in the Administration Building on the backstretch open so members of the PA-THA can come to him with questions and requests.

"First of all, I want the members to understand the organization's policies," he said in explaining why his door is always open. "And I want to know where the members stand."

As with Congressman Barrett,

more than information is exchanged, however.

"I get involved with every issue that's part of a horseman's life," said Ballezzi, "from making sure a barn door gets repaired to helping to draw up an agreement on the sale of a horse to preparing a will."

Despite the similarities in methods, though, it isn't likely that Ballezzi will ever be called The Reverend as Barrett was.

For one thing, his manner is too direct.

"I don't suffer fools very well," he admits.

For another, his background in law — he graduated from Widener Law School in 1976 and served as a District Justice from 1993 to 1998 — makes it more likely that he'd be called The Judge.

Maybe his experience on the bench is at least part of the reason he seems able to juggle a seemingly endless number of questions and requests and to quickly decide on a course of action in each case.

If you work with him, you soon learn there are never going to be long, drawn-out meetings to discuss such matters as, for instance, editorial judgments affecting the horsemen's newsletter.

Often, the answer comes before you can take a seat in his office. He has already studied the possibilities and examined potential outcomes long before you got there.

"Everything in my life is compartmentalized," he said. "I've stored everything like a computer. As soon as I open the folder, it's done and you can be on your way."

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Ballezzi owned and trained thoroughbreds while he was still in law school. After graduation, he joined his brother Louis in law

practice and owned racehorses sporadically over the years until he came back into the sport full time in 1993.

He was later asked by PA-THA President Larry Riviello to lend his expertise to the horsemen as a member of the negotiating committee that was then trying to hammer out a racing agreement with track management.

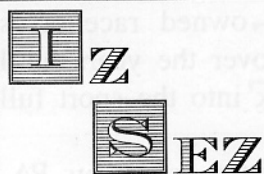
In the following horsemen's election, he won a seat as a director-owner and agreed to a request from Riviello to serve as Executive Director.

He considers himself a horseman who can put on a pair of jeans and muck around in the stalls at his barn or dress in a business suit and carry a briefcase for a trip to Harrisburg to help negotiate the future of racing in Pennsylvania.

Of all the gains made during his term in office, including an agreement that requires live racing before management can conduct simulcasting, a percentage purse structure tied to increasing revenues and an improved program of benevolence centered on the health needs of horsemen, he might be proudest of a new sense of direction and purpose he detects at Philadelphia Park.

"We know where we're going and we have pride in our professionalism," he said. "We've established our legal standing to control our own destiny. In places of power like the State House, we're recognized as a force to be reckoned with."

It was something Bob Green already knew.



by Isadore Schwartz



Nearly everybody knows that racing missed the boat where television exposure was concerned. Other sporting entities took advantage of that media, like pro baseball, pro basketball and the National Football League while racing ignored the big chance.

Well, as most people in racing slept, there was one exception and it was right here at Philadelphia Park. The English export who bought our track

realized early on the potential of putting racing on home television while providing a way of betting on the races through phone betting.

Sure, it was Bob Green — and the great success of phone betting here shows what can be done with a little foresight and the courage to put it in play.

Now racing faces another challenge in the coming millennium; the internet will be yet another way to reach the public. There are signs racing is moving in that direction..

The NTRA, Breeders Cup and Triple Crown people are aware of the obligation of racing to use the internet.

It would be remiss of this writer not to mention some successes of the last years in rac-



Iz Schwartz

ing, notably the THA MATCH Series, the Breeders Cup races and interest in the Triple Crown races.

Racing, above all, must take its head out of the sand, promote its finer points and aim to get the public backs as fans. The people in this industry with foresight should be listened to and followed for the good of racing.

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RACING LOSES CHAMPION

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"My father was a true sportsman who was in the game because he loved it," said his son. "He didn't seek recognition, but he was an idea man who worried about the future of racing. He cared about everyone who was part of the game, from grooms to racing officials."

That the love and respect were returned in kind was evident in the number of people from area racetracks, including Philadelphia

Park, who attended his funeral in the family's hometown of Ridgewater, N.J.

"We want to thank everyone who has shown love and respect for my dad," said the younger Sena. "I think almost every jockey and trainer and most of the backstretch people from Philadelphia Park have hugged me since he died."

Joe Sena Sr. is survived by his wife, Doris, and three children in addition to Joe Jr., Diane, Denise and Lauren.

"Racing has lost a great champion," said his son. "The sport will miss him. We'll all miss him."



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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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Current contributions to the PA-THA Political Action Committee (PAC) have been made by:

Dr. M. Phyllis Lose, \$1,000, Dr. Joseph J. Sena, \$250, Suzanne Jenkins, \$200, Mr. and Mrs. Kratowitz, \$200, Ben Olaivar, \$100, Dr. Dominic Cringoli, \$100, and Murray Scott, \$50.

Also contributing \$25 each to PAC were President Larry Riviello, Executive Director

Michael Ballezzi and Board of Directors members Joseph J. Daniero, Salvatore M. DeBunda, William Hartwell, Isadore Schwartz, Ralph Delaney, Eugene Koons, Frank Pollara, Donald Reeder and Ralph Riviezzo.

Money is the fuel that drives the political machine, a machine that carries a large part of our plans for the future. PAC contributions are not only encouraged, they are necessary if we are to reach our goals.

On a closing note, the Executive Director would like to say as the first year of the new contract nears an end and as he completes the third year of his term that it has been his pleasure to serve the members of the PA-THA and that he intends, if the President and the new Board of Directors desire, to remain as Executive Director.

Even though much has been accomplished and the future holds bright promise, nothing happens without a commitment to the challenges that lie ahead.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Power By Far did it again Oct. 29, winning a big one, the Pennsylvania Sprint Championship Handicap, \$75,000 added, over seven furlongs in a time of 1:23.4.

1998 MATCH Series Final Standings:

TOP HORSES

- 1 — Buffalo Dan, 27.
- 2 — Bursting Forth, 26.
- 3 — Power By Far, 22.

TOP OWNERS

- 1 — B. E. Stable, \$100,000.
- 2 — Sam Huff, \$55,000.
- 3 — Barbara Geraghty, \$35,000.

TOP TRAINERS

- 1 — William W. Perry, \$40,000.
- 2 — H. Graham Motion, \$20,000.
- 3 — Anthony Correnti, \$13,000.

EARNINGS PER HORSE

- 1 — Buffalo Dan, \$1175,000.
- 2 — Bursting Forth, \$110,000.
- 3 — Power By Far, \$83,000.

Mike Ballezzi and I presented checks and trophies to Barbara Geraghty and Anthony Correnti for their successes in the MATCH Series with Power By Far in ceremonies in the winner's circle at Laurel Race Track on Oct. 14.

Let's not forget trainer John Connor's Lou's Bye broke the track record on turf in allowance company, 21.2, 44, 56, for five furlongs.

Point of information:

In Kentucky, horsemen can claim three horses out of any claiming race.

The great Secretariat will be honored with his likeness on a postal stamp. Well deserved.

The PA-THA general membership meeting was held Oct. 21 at Fisher's Tudor House. Thanks to Michael Ballezzi for organizing.

Over 250 members attended. Each member received an informative brochure.

Isadore Schwartz and Eugene Koons were honored upon their retirement from our Board of Directors.

Thanks to Izzy and Eugene for the many years of their service.

Michael, Sal and I met with Gov. Ridge in Steve Wojdak's office. Steve is our lobbyist. It was a productive meeting.

I wish all my horsemen and friends a Merry Christmas and a successful racing year in 1999.

**THOUGHT FOR TODAY
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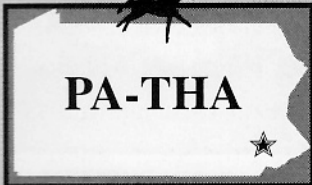
WORCESTER STABLE TOPS

Henry and Rosemary Worcester, racing under the banner of Worcester Stable, captured the award as leading owners for 1997 at Philadelphia Park by registering 71 wins.

In a regrettable oversight, Worcester Stable was omitted from the ceremony at the annual awards banquet this year.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that, upon the unanimous action of the Board of Directors of the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, Inc. ("PA-THA"), Charles Welsh's privileges as a member of the PA-THA have been suspended for a period of one year commencing October 22, 1998, for conduct detrimental to the best interests of the PA-THA and its members, pursuant to Article III, Section 5(C) of the By-Laws which conduct occurred in connection with a claim made by Mr. Welsh for medical benefits under the PA-THA Benefit Trust.



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PA-THA TROPHY WINNERS FOR SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER



HORSE	OWNER	TRAINER
TWICEASWEETHEART	Patricia Chennault	Randy Allen
FOREVER MY FRIEND	Double J-B Racing Stable	Ronald Stanley
CHEYENNE RED	Eugene E. Weymouth	Eugene E. Weymouth
TURNBRIDGE WELLS	Vincent Grigoropoulos	Edward Lotruglio
BRO'S AHEAD	Cleo Hall	Donald M. Pittman
DARK TAG	Ronald W. Smith	John S. McCaslin
VERDICK	Knew Stable	John Dunn
LOVESGOTAHOLDONYOU	Briter Stable	Ralph Delaney
CORRI LEA	Jerry Schultz	J. William Boniface
COLONIAL MINER	Darryl J. Mack	Pam Shavelson
HOUSTON FLYER	Monk's Stable	Jennifer L. Shapiro
IT'S APPROVED	Two C Stable	Anthony Correnti
NOBLE GUARDIAN	Catherine Schaal	Gerald Grenier
GRANDMA'S JIG	Clifford Riggs Jr.	Clifford Riggs Jr.
WILL TO REIGN	F & S Stables Inc.	Mark Fusco
BIG HELLO	Wolver Hill Farms	Eugene E. Weymouth
HEAVENANNATURERING	E & G Stables	Richard Vega

*The Board of Directors &
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