

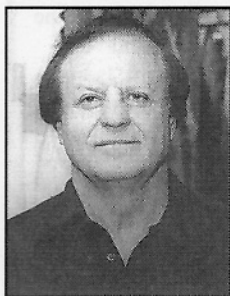
Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, Inc.

# NEWSLETTER

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE...



Larry Riviello  
President

Now hear this! In our last edition, our membership was informed that the P A - T H A resigned from the THA. This decision was made in the best interests of our members.

Our Executive Director Michael Ballezzi issued a press release on June 10, 1999, explaining our position — why we withdrew from the THA.

I was one of the founders of the regional THA. I am saddened and disappointed with the PA-THA resignation, but our organization has to do what is best for our membership.

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Congratulations to Tony Black on

his 4000th win, accomplished astride Sand And Water in the 9th race at Philadelphia Park, Tuesday, July 13; trainer Carol LeVine and owner Puts and Calls. Payoff was \$34.80.

It was a pleasure to see my friend Nick Jemas and his wife Christine in the winners' circle with Tony. Jemas was an outstanding jockey who rode from 1940 to 1980. After Nick retired, he held the position of national manager for the Jockeys Guild.

Point of interest: On Sept. 11, 1983, Tony Black rode his 2,000th winner on my horse, La Pawn, a 2 year old trained by Eugene Euster, in the sixth race at Philadelphia Park.

Also, congratulations to Victor Molino on his 2,000th win, which he registered at Philadelphia Park.

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Keeping up with politics:

On Tuesday, June 22, Mike Ballezzi, Sal DeBunda and I met with John Perzel, Majority Leader of the State House of Representatives.



... Tony Black reaches 2,000.

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## A LOSS OF CONFIDENCE

Executive Director Mike Ballezzi has informed the membership that the PA-THA Board of Directors voted to terminate its relationship with the THA solely due to a loss of confidence by the Board in the ability of THA CEO Alan Foreman to lead the organization.

The Executive Director felt compelled to clear the air after Foreman chose to ignore the legitimate concerns of the Board of Directors and instead accused us of personal attacks against him, charges that were echoed in various publications that presented

*from the desk of*  
**THE  
EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR  
MICHAEL BALLEZZI**

only Foreman's point of view on the issues that led to the PA-THA's decision to resign from the THA.

The Executive Director plans over the next couple of issues of the newsletter to clearly outline and explain in depth the issues that led to the loss of confidence in Foreman and the action by the Board of Directors to separate from the THA.

In brief, these issues include:

1. Foreman's attempt as a salaried Executive Director to be appointed as paid President of the

THA without standing for election.

2. Foreman's position that Pennsylvania race tracks — Philadelphia Park and Penn National — contribute a larger share to the MATCH series than other member states of the PA-THA.

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# BACKTALK TO THE BLOOD-HORSE

*The following correspondence is the PA-THA response to various articles which appeared in the Blood-Horse regarding the PA-THA withdrawal from the THA:*

June 30, 1999

Mr. Tom LaMarra  
The Blood-Horse  
P. O. Box 4038  
Lexington, KY 40544-4038

Dear Tom,

I am writing to you about your article entitled "Pennsylvania Affiliate Resigns from THA" which appeared in the June 26, 1999, edition of The Blood-Horse magazine. First of all, I would like to point out that your statement that the PA THA has been "at odds with the NTRA over its relationship with TV Games Network" is not correct. I am enclosing a copy of a letter which Salvatore DeBunda, a fellow Board member and officer of the PA THA has sent to your Editor-in-Chief, which explains clearly the reasons for our resignation from the THA and the unique concerns that the horsemen at Philadelphia Park have with respect to phonebet. As stated therein, we are unique in that we already receive revenues from phonebet and that before we embrace any other alternative, we must clearly analyze and determine whether or not an alternative such as TVG will enhance our present share of phonebet and result in higher purses. We have been in contact with the NTRA and TVG and this analysis is ongoing.

I would next like to respond to the quote from Alan Foreman regarding our actions which appeared in your article, i.e., "I would think it exposes what their true motives have been - sheer greed and their own selfish interest. . . to the exclusion of fellow horsemen and the industry. This has nothing to do with a contrived attack on Alan Foreman. They are in partnership with Philadelphia Park to see that TVG does not get up and running."

First of all, you yourself have visited Philadelphia Park within the last year and saw all of the accomplishments that we have achieved in the last four years under the present Board of Directors of the PA THA. You saw for yourself the major accomplishments that we have achieved for our horsemen both

in reducing their cost of operation, increasing purses by almost 50 percent, in providing one of the best health plans in the country to our members and in generally making life on the backside here at Philadelphia Park much more profitable and enjoyable for our members. Our motives have always been to look out for the best interest of our horsemen and to promote our fellow horsemen and the industry whenever we can. In our opinion, that was the initial goal that Mr. Foreman had when the THA was formed but there was a dramatic change, in our opinion, in his agenda once he became a Board member of the NTRA as the representative of the THA. After that appointment, many of the items that we were addressing regionally seemed to take a backseat to his activities with the NTRA. In particular the region has yet to establish a unified medication policy, not because it is not possible to achieve but because there is no leadership from the THA in establishing a unified medication policy. For example, the same therapeutic prescribed dose of Clenbuterol administered by the same horseman in Pennsylvania and New Jersey would result in a positive in New Jersey causing loss of purse and a fine or suspension of the horseman. The same dose being permissible in Pennsylvania. Furthermore, our history is that we have on many occasions been "at odds" with Philadelphia Park. On matters in the past, we have had battles with them but if our concerns sometimes agree with their position, that does not mean that we are in partnership with them on any matter. We continue to represent our horsemen vigorously whenever it is necessary.

It must be clearly understood that we are members in good standing of the NTRA having paid our 1998 dues in the amount of \$173,417.00 and fully intend to meet our 1999 financial obligation. As a member of the NTRA, we intend to support the various activities and initiatives of the NTRA including the relationship with TVG. However as the representatives of the horsemen and women at Philadelphia Park we have a right and responsibility to question, investigate and compare all issues which will impact our

membership. Make no mistake, we have withdrawn from the THA not due to problems with the NTRA and TVG, but solely because the PA THA has lost confidence in Mr. Foreman's ability to effectively lead the THA.

When we asked for the Executive Session of the THA meeting on May 12, 1999, our only purpose was to understand whether or not Mr. Foreman had requested a delay in the decision of the NTRA regarding TVG so that the various effected parties would have time to analyze and review the financial impact of the TVG project on their organization. As our letter of resignation indicates, instead of responding directly to our concerns, Mr. Foreman decided to characterize this inquiry as part of the continuing personal attack on him by representatives of the PA THA and stated that he was "fed up" with our questions. He has never denied this statement to us.

It is interesting to note that Mr. Foreman indicates that we misstate both the content of a conference call which we had with other THA members prior to the NTRA Board meeting and, also, statements that were made regarding ultimatums during the Executive Session on May 12, 1999. For your information, our President and two members of our Board were present at the Executive Session. In every regard, all of those on both the telephone conference and at the Executive Session have the same recollection of the events that occurred there.

Our President and our Board stand by our decision to resign from the THA. We will continue to vigorously represent the member of the THA in every forum. Our member expect no less and will receive no less. Mr. Foreman would do well to have had the same opinion regarding his responsibilities as the paid representative of the THA.

Very truly yours,

Pennsylvania Thoroughbred  
Horsemen's Association  
Michael P. Ballezzi  
Executive Director

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## BACKTALK TO THE BLOOD-HORSE

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June 30, 1999

Mr. Raymond S. Paulick  
Vice President and Editor-in-Chief  
The Blood-Horse  
1736 Alexandria Drive  
Lexington, KY 40504

Dear Mr. Paulick,

I am a Director, Officer and General Counsel for the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association (PA THA). I am writing to you on behalf of the Directors and Officers of the PA THA, regarding the article entitled "Pennsylvania Woes" which appeared in your Viewpoints column in the June 26, 1999, edition of The Blood-Horse magazine.

Your comments in that article show that you are totally uninformed not only as to the reasons why the PA THA resigned from the THA, but also, as to the significant accomplishments of the PA THA in the last four years under its current leadership. What is more disturbing and disappointing in view of your position as Editor-in-Chief of The Blood-Horse magazine, a magazine which I have long respected and which I subscribe to, was your apparent lack of desire to become informed about the reasons for such resignation since you never contacted any Officer or Director of the PA THA to discuss their reasons for resigning from the THA.

Despite this apparent lack of interest by you is knowing the real reasons, we would like to take this opportunity to try to explain to you the reasons for such action.

First of all, the resignation from the THA had nothing to do with the proposed involvement by the NTRA in TVG or with Alan Foreman and his role in connection with the TVG matter as a Board member of the NTRA. But rather the PA THA Board's lack of confidence in Mr. Foreman's ability to effectively lead the THA.

What has become apparent during the last

few years and what the TVG matter pointed out was that Pennsylvania racing is unique in the Mid-Atlantic area in that its purses are not mandated by statute as in many states in the Mid-Atlantic area, Pennsylvania has the highest tax (take-out) on handle of any state in the area. Pennsylvania does not subsidize purses as many of our brother states do, and it does not have the benefit of slots to augment its purses. Therefore, the Philadelphia Park horsemen find themselves in a position that is different from its other member organizations in the THA. For this reason, we felt that working in an organization with members who did not have the same unique problems that the Pennsylvania horsemen had would not be the best utilization of our money and energy. It would be like inner-city school district trying to get a rich, suburban school district to understand its unique problems. Therefore, the Board decided to deal directly with the NTRA and with any other appropriate organizations in representing our members for the unique problems which face Pennsylvania thoroughbred racing. The press release which we issued in connection with this resignation clearly indicates that that is the reason for our withdrawal. A copy of that news release is enclosed for your information.

We certainly respect your right to be an advocate for the TVG concept as you have clearly spelled out in prior comments in your magazine. You certainly should give us the same respect of not yet being sure what the impact of TVG will be to the horsemen in Pennsylvania. As our President, Larry Riviello, often points out, "disagreement is not disloyalty".

You may be correct the "TVG would be beneficial to the horsemen in Pennsylvania" and that we "are not getting as much as we probably should from the telephone account wagering operated by Philadelphia Park". We just don't have enough information yet to know whether that is true. Most of our brother members in the THA do not have their purses enhanced by phonebet revenues, so any additional monies from TVG would be good. In Pennsylvania, we already get a significant amount of revenue from phonebet. It would be

inappropriate to embrace any alternative to our present share of phonebet revenues without a thorough analysis of that alternative. We have been working in the last two months with both the NTRA and with TVG to find out exactly what the financial implications would be to the horsemen in Pennsylvania. Until that information is received and reviewed thoroughly by our financial analyst, the PA THA is not in a position to either support or not support the TVG concept as it relates to Pennsylvania racing. As Officers and Directors of the PA THA, it is our responsibility to thoroughly review and analyze this information and any other information that we can gather before taking a position with respect to this matter.

Finally, your statement that "Pennsylvania's thoroughbred owners and trainers deserve better leadership than they are currently getting from their local officers", is totally without merit and clearly shows your lack of understanding about the significant changes that have occurred on behalf of our horsemen at Philadelphia Park in the last four years. We welcome you, if you really wish to know the truth, to visit us at any time to see what we have accomplished here at Philadelphia Park in the last four years.

The decision to resign from the THA was unanimously approved by the Board of directors of the PA THA and its President and after a general membership meeting was unanimously approved by the membership. The membership clearly understand the role that we expect to take with respect to benefitting Pennsylvania racing and to working with the NTRA, TVG, the management of Philadelphia Park and any other organizations that will enhance and benefit our members.

We would ask that the full content of this letter be published in your magazine as a contra-opinion to your article.

Very truly yours,  
Pennsylvania Thoroughbred  
Horsemen's Association  
Salvatore M. DeBunda  
First Vice President and Director

June 30, 1999

Mr. Tim Smith, President NTRA  
230 Lexington Green Circle  
Suite 310  
Lexington, KY 40503

Dear Tim,

I am enclosing for your information the following:

1. A copy of an article entitled "Pennsylvania Affiliate Resigns from THA" which appeared in the June 26, 1999 edition of The Blood-Horse magazine.

2. A letter written by Salvatore M. DeBunda, a Director, Officer and General Counsel of the PA THA, to Mr. Paulick, the Editor-in-Chief of The Blood Horse magazine; and

3. A letter written by Mike Ballezzi, our Executive Director, to Tom LaMarra in direct response to that article.

I am writing to advise you that I personally and our Board resent the characterization by Mr. Foreman, one of your Board members, of our motives for the resignation from the THA as one of "sheer greed and their own selfish interest. . . to the exclusion of fellow horsemen and the industry." Such personal attacks by a member of your Board on one of

its members does not bode well for the future of the NTRA and the relationship with its affiliates. Such a public display of personal vendetta by Mr. Foreman because of our actions of resignation will undermine the future of the NTRA. We would expect and demand an apology directly from Mr. Foreman and also from the NTRA regarding these statements.

Very truly yours,  
Pennsylvania Thoroughbred  
Horsemen's Association  
Lawrence R. Riviello  
President

# PROFILE -- JOSEPH SENA, JR., ESQ.

by Larry McMullen

## BREEDING COUNTS

There were two things you could have predicted for Joe Sena Jr. from the moment he was born.

First, he was going to be involved with horse racing.

Second, he also was going to be a professional in another field of endeavor.

It was in the genes.

His grandfather, Louis Sena, bred and raced thoroughbreds. His son Joe, Joe Jr.'s dad, joined his father in the sport after graduating from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dentistry in 1964 and beginning a dental practice.

Louis Sena was an oral surgeon. He was one of 10 brothers and sisters, nine of whom were college trained for various professions. The remaining sibling was an opera singer.

Joe Jr. has a sister with a master's degree in business who is an executive for Johnson & Johnson and another sister who is a psychologist. Another sister is a dental assistant.

So Joe J. had a clear path to follow. He hasn't missed a step, starting with horse racing.

"I've been hanging around horses since I was 4 years old," he was saying on the backstretch the other day.

By the time he was 14, he was a groom for trainer Henry White, who trained horses for young Joe's father.

Joe Jr. didn't exactly abandon the game while he attended the University of Rhode Island in pursuit of a bachelor's degree. While attending classes, he worked with horses on nearby farms.

By the time he obtained a law

degree from Widener University, he had done almost everything he could around horses, including cleaning out stalls, grooming, hot walking and even serving for a time as a jockey's agent.

In young Joe's family, horse racing isn't just a hobby; it's another vocation. Joe Jr. learned all of the lessons, including the ones he got from observing his father's moves in helping to form a racing and breeding operation — Sovereign Thoroughbreds — that wound up being listed on the stock exchange.

Even his studies in law prepared him for the racetrack. His area of concentration at Widener revolved around the Federal Wire Transfer Act, which regulates the kinds of gambling information that can be transported across state lines. If that doesn't strike you as timely and beneficial in an age when simulcasting and phone betting and wagering and viewing races over the internet are in their infancy but promise a bright future for the industry, you just haven't been paying attention.

The horsemen at Philadelphia Park haven't missed any of this. Joe Jr. and his expertise were voted at the last election onto the PA-THA Board of Directors, for whom he promises to be a valuable asset even though, as Joe Jr., who is 30 years old, admits himself, "I take a lot of ribbing for being the youngest member of the board."



**THE TIES THAT BOND** — Joe Sena Jr. renews old acquaintances with *Holiday Music*, the last claim ever made by his father before he passed away last November. *Holiday Music*, now in new hands, has proved Joe Sr.'s judgment to be sound by winning four of eight races, including a couple of allowances, since being claimed for \$20,000 last summer.

He also gets a lot of respect for being the grandson of Louis Sena and the son of Joe Sena Sr., a man who was highly regarded around area racetracks for his knowledge and love of the sport and his willingness to champion the causes that were most crucial to its survival.

Joe Sena died suddenly last Nov. 6 at the age of 57.

"Everybody loved my dad," said Joe Jr., who is in the line of succession to be a champion of horse racing.

Joe Jr., a bachelor, is just starting on his own in the industry, operating *Eques Stable* with three runners who are being trained by Jose Gallegos, who also trains for Joe's grandfather, Louis, at 88 still in the game and still winning races.

If Joe Jr. feels any pressure from having to perform to high standards set before he came along, he doesn't show it.

"I welcome the challenges," he says.

It's in his breeding.

# CELEBRATING THE 4TH OF JULY

*With barbecue grills smoking and filling the air with delicious aromas, with children racing, hair and bodies flying, to win prized stuffed animals, and with bats being swung mightily at helpless softballs, Philadelphia Park's horsemen and horsewomen and their offspring joyously marked our nation's birthday on the backstretch.*



## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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3. Foreman's contention that his fiduciary responsibility to the National Thoroughbred Racing Association, of which he is a board member, superseded his fiduciary responsibility to the THA, a stand that could have cost Philadelphia Park horsemen their share of phonebet revenues if track management's attempt to establish St. Croix as an offshore conduit for simulcasts had been successful.

4. Foreman's independent decision that the NTRA should support the TV Games Network in establishing an interactive racing channel. The PA-THA asked only for additional time to study the financial implications to the horsemen at Philadelphia Park if it embraced an alternative to the phonebet system which already provides local horsemen with significant revenue. Most other member states of the THA do not have phonebet systems and so

any additional revenues would be welcome in those locales. The PA-THA is in a unique position and obviously has particular concerns that must be addressed in the best interests of its members.

The Executive Director notes that the full board of the NTRA eventually supported the PA-THA in the St. Croix matter but questions lingered over Foreman's commitment to the interests of the THA and in particular to the welfare of the members of the PA-THA.

It was on the last issue — the NTRA's involvement with TVG — that Foreman characterized the PA-THA's legitimate concerns as a personal attack on himself and said he was "fed up" with questions from members of our Board, whom he accused of disloyalty.

The Executive Director pledges that the Board of Directors will continue to aggressively pursue policies that enhance the lives and welfare of our members and to defend with determination their rights and privi-

leges in the greater community horsemen.

As our President, Larry Riviel one of the founders of the THA, I stated on numerous occasions "Disagreeing is not disloyalty."

More to come. Much more.

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The Executive Director extends congratulations to Chaplain Nicholas Salios, his wife Rose and Ron Taylor for all of their work making the picnic and All Star softball games over the July 4 week an outstanding success.

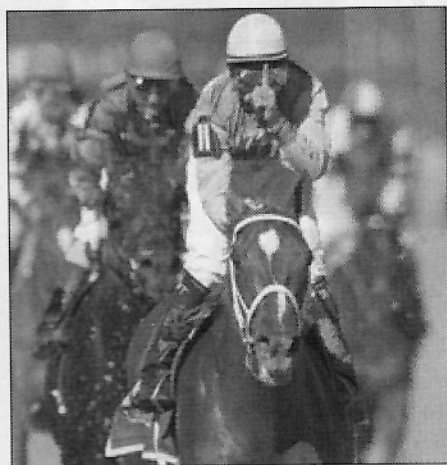
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Dr. Lawrence Soma of the N Bolton Center is currently conducting tests on exercise induced hemorrhaging. The study includes post-race scoping of approximately eight to ten horses each racing day.

The study is being conducted without charge and on a voluntary basis. For more information contact the PA-THA office.

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# SEIZ...



**PROFILE IN COURAGE** -- Charismatic made a valiant though ill-fated attempt at winning the Triple Crown.

What's wrong with the Triple Crown? Ask any knowledgeable horseman you know and the correct reply will be given in seconds. This is what you will hear, "Not enough time between each event to allow the horses to recuperate from the last one!"

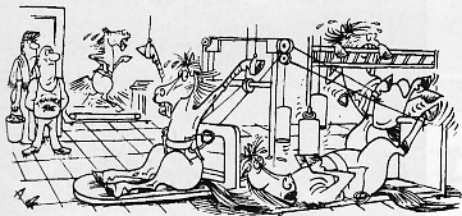
There must be, by those people who schedule the events, understanding that they are subjecting young teen age (horse age) athletes to unnecessary stress. It is my opinion that three or four weeks between each event would be ideal. What happened to Charismatic is full proof of what changes should be made. And speaking of that unfortunate horse — he was the best of a so-so lot of three year olds and the courage he showed at the end of the Belmont was typical of all racing thoroughbreds. I know, because to me once — my horse finished the race on three legs and had to be put down immediately.



**Iz Schwartz**

It's a horrible feeling. I couldn't talk to anyone for three months after the incident. Some things you never forget in racing.

One more thing about the disaster in the Belmont — I would like to nominate Chris Antley as Most of the Year in racing. The poignant picture of that jockey, sitting on the ground and cradling his horse's front leg, and crying, until he arrived is a picture no one should forget and is a tribute to all jockeys who seldom get credit for their contributions to the great sport of racing.

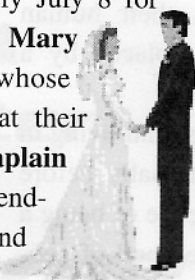


# BACKSIDE VIEW

## UP CLOSE & PERSONAL

*Anniversaries • Birthdays • Special Occasion Announcements • Get Well Wishes • etc.*

Those wedding bells rang joyously July 8 for long-time Philadelphia Park groom **Mary Chandler** and **Don Pattersall**, whose marriage ceremony was performed at their home in Jacobstown, N.J., by **Chaplain Nicholas Salios**. The wedding was attended by many of **Mary's** co-workers and friends from the track as well as the families of the bride and groom.



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More happy news. A son, **William Thomas Gagliano**, who weighed in at 6 pounds, 1 ounce, was welcomed to the world July 1 by his parents, Philadelphia Park General Manager **James Gagliano** and his wife, **Roz**.

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Happy birthday to **Duffy Stellmach, II**, who turns 4 Aug. 25 and whose list of party guests includes newsletter editors **Larry McMullen**, his grandfather, and **Coleen McMullen**, his mother, who loves her son to death but is still wondering how many years it takes for the Terrible Twos to end.



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We sadly note the passing of **Giovacchino (Jack) DiStasio**, father of **Barbara DiStasio**, a clerk in the Racing Commission office, and **Joslyn Marshall**, a groom in in trainer **Regius Hunter's** stable, who succumbed after a brief illness.

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Philadelphia Park now has its own branch of one of the most exclusive clubs in the history of thoroughbred racing. **Tony Black** on July 13 became only the 33rd

jockey to ever register 4,000 victories when he scored with **Sand And Water** at Philadelphia Park. The 32nd jockey to enter the elite group just happened to be another local rider, **Jeff Lloyd**, who reached the magic figure last Apr. 4 aboard **Jaded Light** at the Bensalem track.

**Black** became a member of what might be an even more exclusive group at the very start of his career back in 1970, when he won with **Stand By Me** at the old Liberty Bell Park in his first ride ever.

**Black**, 47, and **Lloyd**, 42 (shown below in a group picture of the local branch of the 4,000 Club), both expressed pleasure at being able to accomplish the feat at Philadelphia Park, where both have achieved much of their success.

One thing for certain is that Philadelphia Park is one of the few racetracks in the country that can call a meeting of the 4,000 Club and have more than one member show up.



## RESURFACING SET

The racetrack will be resurfaced and closed to training and racing beginning August 9. The track will be reopened for training August 24 and for racing August 28.



## THE CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

We are in the midst of change as this is being written. By the time you read this, the track will be closed for resurfacing, which will prove to be, after we reopen for racing Aug. 28, of benefit to the horses and riders. The closing of the track will cause financial difficulties for some, but for others who have planned ahead, it will have little effect.

All of us have noticed changes that have taken place here at Philadelphia Park. The improvements on the frontside, as well as on the backside, have been, in the long run, rewarding to horsemen.

Change is inevitable. There are times when we initiate change and those choices can be good or bad. Then there are times others initiate change for us and we have little control over the outcome, again good or bad. We are continuously reminded that life does not stand still.

When we needed to expand our education in substance abuse, we went back to school. This extended itself to additional classes on updates in marriage and family, child and spousal abuse, learning and health problems, addiction behaviors resources in the community and state to be coupled with those of the race track. All of this information was needed as part of a chaplaincy ever ready to assist a multitude of workers. Traditional values continued to be challenged, new methods brought change.

Though technology has dramatically changed the horse industry in

many good ways, some, we're finding, might not be as good as first thought. Becoming more impersonal because of machines and perhaps increasingly more distant and colder business relationships, we've lost the human voice, its inflection, its sound of caring. Still, as we listen to horsemen speak of their love for horses, we can readily say, their human touch has not been replaced by a machine.

The issue of change and living in today's world is continually before us. Our Lord's experience of being a part of change for the good of people's lives, the ultimate spiritual touch, proved to be disastrous for His own life in the face of the death that would befall Him by the powers-to-be of that day. Yet, out of it all came the lesson from God Himself, is ideas of success in this life and the last might not necessarily match that of man's.

We share that message here today, that no matter what happens to you in this life, if you have begun to learn who you are in the light of His message. and you are making it a part of your character in everything you do, there is no such thing as failure.

By God's presence, direction is discovered, difficulties are solved, sorrows are sanctified and fears forgotten. May God meet us on the threshold of each day, walk with us through its hours and be with us when the shadows lengthen and the night is come.



*Chaplain Nicholas Salios*

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### **SPEAKING OF CHANGE . . .**

The Chaplain's Office was moved to the Rec Hall on Thursday, July 8. Stop in and see us at our new location!



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**A JULY 4TH WEEKEND HIGHLIGHT** was the picnic, All Star men and women's softball games and home run contest Friday, July 2 that was hosted by the PATHA and Philadelphia Park management on the grounds behind the Rec Hall. Included in the fun were the old-fashioned relays with sacks and sticks and other props) as well as crafts for the children of horsemen. There was a fine turnout, prizes were given to winners but there were no losers.

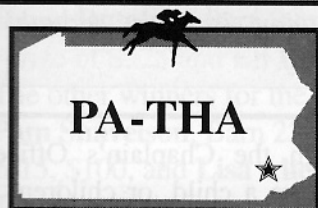
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## HORSEMEN'S PURCHASING ASSOCIATION "Quality Shavings, Feed & Supplements at Discount Prices" 7/13/99 Price List

| Feed                       |             | Supplements               |          |
|----------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|----------|
| Alfalfa Cubes              | \$ 7.25     | Finish Line Poultice 23#  | \$ 15.25 |
| Barley, Steamed/Crimped    | \$ 8.25     | Finish Line Poultice 45#  | \$ 27.00 |
| Bran, Rice                 | \$ 28.00    | Uptite Poultice 22#       | \$ 17.80 |
| Bran, Wheat                | \$ 8.00     | Uptite Poultice 48#       | \$ 36.00 |
| Calf Manna                 | \$ 15.00    | Azo-Free/3 tube treatment | \$ 42.00 |
| Forage Alfalfa             | \$ 10.00    | DMG-It 5#                 | \$ 19.75 |
| Legends 14% protein        | \$ 7.80     | Extrolyte 5#              | \$ 14.50 |
| Performance TC             | \$ 10.50    | Extrolyte 25#             | \$ 51.50 |
| Respond 12.5% protein      | \$ 8.50     | Fat Cat 5#                | \$ 14.35 |
| Saddle Up 12%              | \$ 5.75     | Fat Cat 25#               | \$ 55.40 |
| Stables Choice 12% protein | \$ 6.25     | Flex-It 5#                | \$ 67.60 |
| Super Horse 14% protein    | \$ 8.50     | GoMax Gal.                | \$ 10.90 |
| Sweet Rely                 | \$ 8.50     | Golden Energizer Gal.     | \$ 12.00 |
|                            |             | Horse-Shoe 2#             | \$ 13.75 |
|                            |             | Iron Horse Gal.           | \$ 17.00 |
|                            |             | MSM - 1#                  | \$ 18.00 |
|                            |             | MSM - 2#                  | \$ 35.25 |
|                            |             | Lact-Ezz/pkt              | \$ 5.50  |
|                            |             | Pelleted Horse Wormer     | \$ 7.00  |
|                            |             | Redcell Gal.              | \$ 13.10 |
|                            |             | Redglo Gal.               | \$ 18.50 |
|                            |             | Vita 99 5#                | \$ 23.50 |
|                            |             | Vita 99 25#               | \$ 88.25 |
| OATS                       |             | SHAVINGS                  |          |
| Crimped Oats               | \$ 6.50     | Air Dried: Rip O Bec      | \$ 2.85  |
| Hulled Oats                | \$ 9.25     | Kiln Dried: Laurentian    | \$ 2.65  |
| Whole Oats                 | \$ 6.50     | Kiln Dried: Factor        | \$ 2.70  |
| ICE 30#                    |             |                           |          |
|                            | \$ 3.00     |                           |          |
| SUPPLIES                   |             |                           |          |
| 3M Patches 100/Box         | \$ 38.00    |                           |          |
| Alcohol 70% Gal.           | \$ 5.25     |                           |          |
| Bigeloil Gal.              | \$ 25.00    |                           |          |
| Bowie Clay                 | \$ 8.75     |                           |          |
| DMSO Gal.                  | \$ 22.00    |                           |          |
| Furacin 1# 12/Case         | \$ 38.20    |                           |          |
| Golden Energizer           | \$ 12.00    |                           |          |
| Reduce Hoof Dressing       | \$ 13.25    |                           |          |
| Salt Brick                 | \$ 1.45     |                           |          |
| Salt Brick Holder          | \$ 2.15     |                           |          |
| Vet Wrap 18/cs             | \$ 25.25/cs |                           |          |



## PA-THA TROPHY WINNERS MAY - JULY



| HORSE  | OWNER  | TRAINER  |
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| FLY FOR JANE<br>REGALS SOUND<br>TAKE IT AGAIN  | CHARLES W. BADDELEY<br>CHARLES W. EVERETT<br>CORNERSTONE RACING STABLE<br>& FRANK KULICK   | CHARLES W. BADDELEY<br>MARK FUSCO<br>ALAN BEDARD   |
| SECRET DEPUTY<br>MYSTIFIED MITTY<br>COLINS PROSPECT<br>FINBAR'S FOLLY<br>SMART PRO<br>CENTURION<br>RALLY GIRL<br>ROMA J G<br>BRILLIANT CATCH<br>HIGH MOUNTAIN ROAD<br>SCARLET CARPET<br>OPEN ICE HIT<br>BANK WON | E & G STABLES<br>BLUE STREAK STABLE<br>HICKORY CORNER RACING STABLE<br>JOHN DECKER<br>MICHAEL SPIELMAN<br>SINGLE BARREL STABLE<br>LYNDON E. EVANS<br>JANIS GERACE<br>CHARLES L. BIGGS<br>HIGH MOUNTAIN THOROUGHBREDS<br>C. B. LYMAN JR., & J. W. HOLMAN JR.<br>C. NOTARFRANCESCO & J. CARTAGE<br>ANITA RACING STABLE | SCOTT LAKE<br>EDWARD T. ALLARD<br>RICHARD VEGA<br>JOHN DECKER<br>RALPH R. RIVIEZZO<br>STEPHEN R. MICK<br>NORMAN FOLLETT<br>JANIS GERACE<br>WILLIAM D. STARRITT<br>MARK SINATRA<br>GUADALUPE PRECIADO<br>JULIO CARTAGENA<br>ALFREDO VELAZQUEZ |

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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Speaking with Mr. Perzel, I was pleased to learn he is well informed about the thoroughbred horse industry. A great guy.

We also had the pleasure of conversing with Matthew (Matt) Ryan, Speaker of the House. The meeting took place in the office of Steve Wojdak, our lobbyist.

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In the 12th running of the Maryland Breeder's Cup stake race, a 22-year-old patron ran onto the track and positioned himself in front of the oncoming horses. Jerry Bailey on his front runner avoided the intruder, but Chavez on Artax, the favorite, had to alter his course. The patron swung his fist at Chavez, hitting his boot.

This intruder could have lamed or killed jockeys or horses. Whatever happened to this intruder? Should this have been able to happen? Could it happen again?

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Belmont Stakes.

A champion horse with a heart.

Charismatic apparently ran the latter part of the Belmont with a fracture in his left foreleg. Chris Antley jumped off Charismatic at the finish line. Chris' fast thinking probably saved Charismatic from a more life-threatening injury.

Three Ring, while being saddled for the Mother Goose at Belmont Park, reared up, flipped and fractured her skull and was euthanized.

Who said this isn't a tough business? On top one day and the next day, history.

My heart goes out to the owners and trainers of these magnificent thoroughbreds.

It might not seem as dramatic as Charismatic or Three Ring but Our Farm and I lost a weanling who was six months old who suddenly went blind in both eyes. The beautiful little colt had to be euthanized.

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Good news for Chicago horsemen. Arlington Park, which has been shut down since 1997, will be reopened by owner Duchossois. Opening is expected in the year 2000.

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Don't forget to stop by and see our renovated cafeteria in the backstretch. It is outstanding.

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Many thanks to Larry Soma of the New Bolton Center for his continuing scoping program at Philadelphia Park. Executive Director Michael Ballezzi reports on the program in his column.

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I wish all my horsemen and horsewomen a lucky and a successful racing season for the remainder of the year.

### THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

*No man is wise enough by himself.*

## CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

*continued from pg. 8*

Competing with the wind found many balloons and tablecloths skyward bound. The wind didn't stop the all star softball teams as the East men's team won over the West, 11-7. The winning team was managed by Angel Rodriguez in the absence of Jim Gagliano, whose newborn son arrived the evening before the game. Mike Ballezzi and Victor Molina managed the West. Women of the West, managed by Linda Cowan, won, 7-4 over the East, managed by Raquel Madrid.

The Favoroso family, along with their helpers, labored long and hard, providing food throughout the afternoon in the hot sun. Many thanks to them and others along the way who pitched in and made it a great day!

Special thank yous to Frank Bryan and Bob Valentine for their

efforts and preparation of the horse-shoe pits behind the Rec Hall. Everyone appreciated the extra measure of fun that was provided.

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**SOFTBALL SEASON** drew to a close as playoffs concluded in early August. Special thanks to Ron Taylor, who served as commissioner, as well as to Linda Cowan, his assistant. They worked consistently in attracting players and on such details as scheduling to make the season a successful one.

**NEXT UP: SOCCER AND BASKETBALL . . .** Management has given the okay for preparation of the field and court for these sports. Biff Campbell will be the commissioner for soccer. Other details will be provided at a later date.

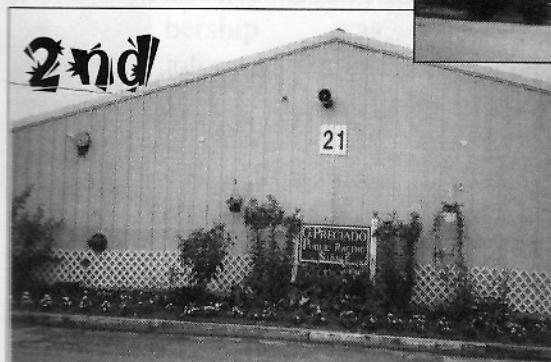
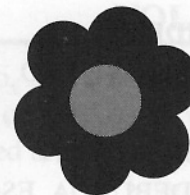
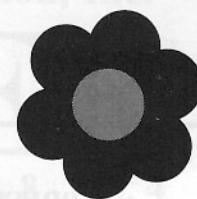
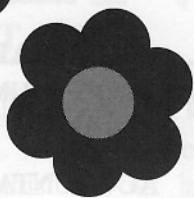
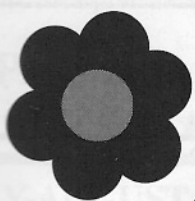
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**CHILD CARE ASSISTANCE STUDY** is still being conducted

through the Chaplain's Office. If you have a child, or children, who need day care or who are presently in day care, please sign up on the special registration sheet in the office (remember, we moved to the Rec Hall). We are determining the need for financial assistance of parents presently employed at Philadelphia Park.

**HEALTH CLINIC** is open every Tuesday through the summer, 9 a.m.-12 noon, in the room adjacent to the track kitchen. Present are a doctor intern and a registered nurse from LaSalle. Screening and questions concerning your health needs are addressed and resources are provided. The response thus far has been heartwarming. We have an interview scheduled with an interested doctor who also might be volunteering his services in the near future.

# FLOWER POWER



**David Dotolo** in Barn 22 won top prize of \$500 in the July Flower Contest. **Lupe Preciado**, Barn 21, took second prize of \$325 and **Eli Betancourt**, Barn 18, was third, \$250.

The other winners for the month:

**Pam Shavelson**, Barn 22, \$225; **Janis Gerace**, Barn 30, \$150; **Uriah St. Lewis**, Barn 1, \$125; **Carol Oxman**, Barn 15, \$100, and **Lisa Allen**, Barn 33, \$75.

Top winners in June were **Darlene Reese**, Barn 29, **Pam Shavelson**, Barn 22, and **David Dotolo**, Barn 22.

The first three winners in May were **Donna Campomizzi**, **David Dotolo** and **Darlene Reese**.

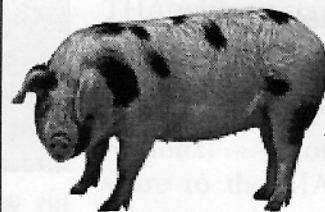
As was the case last year, judging is being done by **Daria Bowman**, a florist from the New Hope area.

The contest is jointly sponsored by the PA-THA and Philadelphia Park.

CAN YOU  
IDENTIFY THEM?



Answer will appear in the next issue of the  
PA-THA Newsletter.



PIG  
ROAST

One of the highlights of the social season on the backstretch — the annual Pig Roast — is scheduled this year for Friday, Sept. 3, kicking off a holiday weekend that will culminate Labor Day, Sept 6, with the running of the state's premier horse race, the Pennsylvania Derby.



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