

Meet Our New Region II Director, Ken Levy

A warm welcome goes to our new Region II Director, Ken Levy. Ken portrays an over all intensity and drive of a truly impassioned horseman and has a defined dedication to the governance of our sport to lead us into a new decade.

Ken and his wife Barbara own and operate Legacy Farm Dressage in Noblesville Indiana, just north of Indianapolis. Ken trains horses and instructs students from beginners to advanced and is an active competitor himself competing at F.E.I. levels and has won many, local, state, regional and national awards.

He has a full spectrum of riding and training experience from fox hunting to eventing to dressage and has ridden under renowned horsemen such as Walter Zettl, Charles Dekunffy, Hilda Gurney, just to name a few. He also has had an incredible opportunity to study and train in Germany for three years while serving as Director of Critical Care Diagnostics for an International Healthcare Company. Today, Ken is Head of Medical and Scientific Affairs for Roche Diagnostics located in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Ken is a USDF "L" Graduate, USEF "r" Dressage Judge and a USDF certified Associate instructor. He has spent many years active within the dressage community volunteering in many capacities. Ken is currently President of the Indiana Dressage Society and has served as their director and is a past two time president and vice president. On a national level Ken has been a USDF Participating Member Delegate, served on the USDF Marketing Committee, and has been chair the USDF Membership. In 2009 Ken was asked to chair the Ad Hoc Committee for USDF Membership whose recommendations were approved by the 2009 USDF Board of Governors at the Annual Meeting in Austin, Texas.

Let's give Ken Levy
a warm welcome as
our new region II
director.



Ken and Laramie at I1 Kentucky Horse Park 2006

New Region II Web Mistress

Barbara Levy is our new Region II web mistress and has already started to actively update the website for 2010. Book Mark <http://www.usdf-region2.org/index.html> for all of our regions activities, from regional show and clinic dates to news articles. The common goal of the website is for members to be able to find everything they need to know concerning Region II by developing interactive communications with members and GMO's. Barbara is dedicating herself to creating a website that is a valuable tool for all members.

Thank You Sue Hughes

With nine years of dedication to Region II we say a heartfelt good bye to Sue as our director and look forward to meeting her in the years to come as she continues to bring education to all horse and rider teams.

Sue has slated several clinics for 2010 and will serve as a USEF dressage and eventing judge "r" judge at several venues this coming season.

As a clinician and instructor Sue is a well loved and respected horsewoman that teaches with an inspired passion for the art of riding and communicating with our horses, she delivers her teaching with clear articulate visuals that educate riders to feel and understand their horse's movement and to learn an effective independent balance seat.

Thank You Sue for all your time and dedication in the pursuit of educating our community in the wonderful sport of dressage.



Sue & Isaac

Sue is also a Life Member of the Certified Horsemanship Association and is a level III Centered Riding Instructor. She has served USDF in many capacities; she was the National Nominations Chair for 9 years, served on the Violet Hopkins Symposium Planning Committee for 11 years and of course 9 years as USDF Region 2 Director. With a busy daily life of riding, teaching, and caring for horses on her own property, Sue and her husband live in rural Plymouth, Michigan.

Tell Us About Your GMO

We are going to do a small write up covering two GMO's for each quarterly newsletter. This will be a great opportunity for GMO's to get the word out and tell riders about their group. Please send your GMO information to Michelle Boyd, Region II newsletter editor at mboydc21@yahoo.com or call 269-449-1656. GMO articles will be published on a first come first serve bases.