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Dear Professionals and Competitors,

It is now time to renew or join the CPHA for the year 2017. I am pleased to announce that last year's membership was over 900 members. It is because of the members that we have been able to successfully fund the CPHA Foundation. In the past the Foundation has been able to reach out and give aid to trainers, and other CPHA professionals, including grooms, who are in need in the horse industry. In addition they award scholarships to children of professionals, young professionals furthering their education, and working students. In 2016 seven scholarships were awarded in part because of the generous donation from the Heidegger Family to whom we are very grateful.

The CPHA works hard in areas that benefit all its members- professional, junior and amateur in the following ways:

1. With the H2B-visa program, it effectively enables grooms, as well as riders, and equestrian managers to obtain legal working visas in California and neighboring states.
2. Our professionals receive an excess accident policy with their membership to help supplement their current insurance, or to use should they not have any insurance to draw on, in case of an accident at work.
3. Through our medal class programs, riders from every level of equitation have the opportunity to increase their skills and compete in high quality events.
4. The CPHA supports and funds programs that will bring our members educational clinics and informational seminars.
5. To highlight our year we present year-end honors at our CPHA banquet at the PCHA convention. These awards are given to preserve our history through the years by recognizing achievements that were truly outstanding.

Please take the time to fill out the 2017 membership form and return it to our office for processing. You will find information on our programs, rules for medal classes and the link to the CPHA Foundation on our web site, www.cpha.org.

Please remember both trainers and riders must be members of CPHA to participate in our medal classes. Also we encourage all professional horse people to join to be eligible for the other beneficial programs CPHA has to offer. The CPHA hopes with your memberships to make 2017 an even greater year of giving.

Respectfully,

Jeni Brown, President

