

The 2020 Winner of the Junior Horsemanship Perpetual Trophy
Trophy graciously donated by the Enck Family



Hello members! My name is Shaney Enck. I am an amateur member of the WPAPHA. Last year was my final year as a junior member of WPAPHA. During my junior career, I had the opportunity of attending multiple year end junior finals with the assistance of my devoted coach Spencer Turnblacer. This was no easy journey in the midst of a pandemic with limited horse shows. I was able to qualify and compete at Junior Hunter Finals (Michigan), NHS Finals (Kentucky), and USHJA Hunter Seat Medal Finals (Massachusetts). In addition to competing at these events, I received the Leo Conroy Equitation Grant at NHS finals for my sportsmanship and horsemanship skills. Qualifying for these events and receiving this prestigious grant would have not been possible without the love and support of my mother, my devoted trainer who made all of my dreams come true through her endless devotion to cultivating me into a dynamic rider, and lastly my horse who has proved to be such a willing partner through every step of our journey together.

I completed my junior year with the honor of accepting the Chub Memorial Trophy which commemorated my horsemanship and sportsmanship skills over the course of the year. Additionally, I was champion of the Junior Hunter division and champion of the Junior Equitation 15-17 division.

Outside of the WPAPHA, I got the opportunity to work with various trainers through the Interscholastic Equestrian Association. I credit the trainers involved in this association including my trainer, Rebecca Bloom, for continuously showing me proper etiquette in the equestrian community through their sportsmanship and horsemanship skills. In 2017, I competed at IEA National Finals under my coach Rebecca Bloom. In 2018 and 2019 I was nominated the IEA National Sportsmanship award, and received 5th and 3rd place respectively out of 170 applicants. This award was given based on letters of recommendation, academic record, a written essay, volunteer work, and equestrian accomplishments.

Over the last four years, I have gotten to meet many equestrians who share the same passion that I do. What has inspired me from the amateurs that I am surrounded by is their devotion not only to their sport, but also their occupations. With the support of my mother, teachers, and the family I have formed at Houdini Farm, I received early acceptance my senior year of high school to Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine (LECOM). I am currently majoring in biology at Seton Hill University, and I will continue my journey at LECOM to become a Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine.

Growing up in the horse industry has taught me a lot of valuable lessons. If there is anything that you take from reading my bio, I hope that you see the value of community and learning from others. As we have been shown in the last 12 months, each day is an opportunity to make an impact on your life and others around you. Take each day as a challenge to better yourself as an equestrian through your horsemanship and sportsmanship skills. Often we get very caught up in competing and bettering ourselves. Take the opportunity to support others and keep an open mind to developing your education.