

**Pennsylvania Arabian Horse Association Presents
Annual Arabian Ambassador Award**

For over 25 years, PAHA has selected and honored one of its members with the Arabian Ambassador Award. Nominations are submitted to a committee who selects the recipient as one who gives of personal time and talents to serve the club and promote "The Proud Breed". What follows is the nomination letter for the 2013 recipient, Irvette Timms.

For many years, Irvette has been a member of AHA & PAHA. She successfully competed her horse(s). She also volunteered at many shows such as the East Coast Championships, the GAMES and the SC Fun shows in many capacities such as ringmaster and announcing duties to helping with food booths. This year, Irvette also volunteered her skills at the Sport Horse Nationals.

Irvette even makes appearances and helps at other shows like the Mason Dixon and Devon, making the presence and promotion of PAHA and Arabians known.

She has been active as the SC District director for many years and helps organize the now famous Timbers Holiday Party. And now, Irvette serves as our PAHA president.

Since her presidency, Irvette has gone above and beyond in giving a "jump start" back to the club. Nearly her sole efforts went into the AHA membership drive, in which PAHA won and Irvette received free registration to the convention this year.

In addition, she has also contributed to the re-instated the Recreational Riding program, Membership renewal/retention program, and bringing us into the 21st century with email blasts and newsletters, and revamping the website, making it more graphically interesting and contributing content. Irvette continues her efforts by finding out what activities and issues are important to the members and how the PAHA can truly benefit and meet the needs of our membership.

For all her dedication, determination and love for the breed, we nominate Irvette Timms as the 2013 PAHA Arabian Ambassador.