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After a youth spent hunting, pony clubbing, judging, showing hunters, eventing and galloping horses at Delaware Park, Jill earned and retired her 5 USEF judges' cards. Having moved to lowa and fallen in love with stock horses, Jill began showing and training breed show horses. She currently holds 10 judges' cards APHA, NSBA, PtHA, ApHC, ABRA, IBHA, POAC, ASHA, lowa Ranch Horse Association and the GVHS. Jill has been privileged to judge horse shows all across the US, Canada, and Europe. Having been invited to judge the POAC Nationals (three times), the Appaloosa Nationals (three times), PtHA World Show and Congress and the ABRA World show (twice), Jill also judged in Germany (where she judged the German Nationals and European Championships), Denmark (where she judged the Danish Nationals, twice), The Bavarian Nationals (twice) as well as judging in Austria, Holland and the Czech Republic. Being committed to the APHA, Jill's daughter grew up showing APHA all through her youth career, and served as the Treasurer for the AJPHA. Believing that strong youth involvement and leadership is the future of our industry, Jill has served on the APHA Youth Committee for the past 4 years. She is currently in her second year as Chair for the youth committee.

When not judging or working with the APHA, Jill can be found giving clinics and teaching Animal Science at Iowa State University.