**Sharon Bonner-Brown**

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Equine Background:

* Mission Statement: To breed & raise good-minded horses with the beauty and conformation of halter horses while maintaining the athletic ability and balance of an exception performance horse.
* Over 40 years experience breeding, raising & showing APHA/AQHA horses.
* Until a recent family accident, I was active on the California APHA show circuit with longe line, yearling-in-hand trail & halter being my favorite events. Our horses have been fortunate to win many futurity championships as well as California & World Championship titles.
* My husband and I operate a 900-acre ranch in northern California where we raise between 5-9 foals/year.

APHA Leadership:

* APHA Director – 11 Years
* Participated in every APHA Workshop & Convention since 2003 except for one due to a family illness.
* APHA Standing Committees: Registration, Breed Integrity, Ways & Means & Long Range Planning
* Special Committees:

 EC Nominating Committee

 Farnam Breeders Trust Select Sale & Stakes Advisory Committee

 World Show Advisory Committee

 2012 Breeders Trust Advisory Committee

 2012 World Select Sale Committee

* Regional Club:

 Board of Directors – San Joaquin Paint Horse Club

 California Coordinating Committee

 California Zone Representative

Professional Background:

University of California at Berkeley:

* Board of Trustee
* Founding Board Member of UC Berkeley’s Management, Entrepreneurship & Technology Program

Farnam Horse Products: New Product Strategy & Development

Consulting Practice:
“Hands-on” assistance to CEO’s seeking help in resolving business challenges requiring “out of the box” thinking, problem solving skills, comprehensive business knowledge coupled with the ability to work with people with varying backgrounds and viewpoints.

Learning Street, USA – Founder and former CEO of one of the first private companies to provide schools with the ability to outsource their technology programs. Provided a turnkey system which included curriculum, teachers, computers and educational software.

Apple Computer: Senior Executive responsible for worldwide IT & Network Communications. Led a 400-person team accountable for the development and operation of Apple’s internal use of information technology.

Levi Straus & Company – Senior IT Executive responsible for 5 fast growth divisions representing approximate 50% of domestic sales of the company. Worked collaboratively with division executives to identify & implement IT based tools to provide the company a competitive advantage in the market place.

Fairchild Camera & Instrument – Senior IT Executive responsible for Strategic Planning, Software Development, Standards & Procedures, Financial Control and Administration.

Marathon Oil Company – Software Development Manager

Academic Background:

Ohio State University, Bachelor of Science Degree from the College of Arts & Science,

Dual Major in Mathematics & Physics

Miami University, Oxford, Ohio / Masters Program / Computer Science & Mathematics