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Education	<p>I graduated from Caldwell High School as valedictorian in 2020, along with several other honors including National Merit Scholar Commended Scholar, 2x Business Professionals of America National Qualifier, and National Honor Society member and scholarship recipient.</p> <p>Now, I attend Sam Houston State University. I am majoring in Communication Studies and minoring in Philosophy and Political Science and have maintained a 4.0 GPA throughout my college career. I'm also a member of the Lambda Beta chapter of the Lambda Pi Eta Honor Society, an affiliate of the National Communication Association.</p>
Professional Employment	<p>I currently work as a horse trainer and have worked many variations of this job since graduating high school. I have operated a beginner lesson program for a year, trained all-around horses, and worked with rescues to train rescue horses. My main focus now is rehabilitating and retraining rescue horses through Bluebonnet Equine Humane Society and training rescue mules through Lost Meadows Mule Refuge, but I also teach some intermediate and advanced lessons and have a judge's card through the Open Horse Show Association. Upon graduation, I plan to pursue my teaching certificate and teach middle school English- but in the meantime, horses have helped me pay the bills.</p>
Non-Equine Honors and Recognition	<p>I am a member of the Lamda Beta chapter of the Lamda Pi Eta Honor Society and have been on the Dean's List and the President's List every semester of college so far. I also have a published research paper in The Measure, SHSU's undergraduate journal.</p>

APHA Involvement

I have been involved with APHA since I was 5 years old. Over the years, I have been a part of many facets of APHA and AjPHA, serving as AjPHA National Director for several years, as well as on the Executive Committee as secretary, vice president, and president. As president, I coordinated the 2018-19 "Color the Community" project that promoted volunteerism and membership increases across the country.

I've also been an active participant in the APHA show scene, earning several world and reserve world titles in multiple events and representing the winning United States team in the Youth World Games Trail in 2018.

Since graduating from the youth division, I have remained active in the association, serving as a member of the youth committee in 2021 and as vice chair this year.

Other Horse Involvement

Outside of APHA, I am also the secretary of the Capitol Area Quarter Horse Association, a local open show organization that puts on shows and donates the profits from each show to a local nonprofit. CAQHA also prioritizes public outreach and volunteerism, and as secretary, I manage social media outreach, sponsor acquisition and recognition, and much more.

I'm an active member of the Bluebonnet Equine Humane Society, assisting with social media outreach, fundraising, coordination of the annual Training Challenge, and training and rehabilitation of rescue horses.

I'm a carded judge in the Open Horse Show Association and plan on pursuing judge's cards in other organizations as soon as I reach the required age. I also work with the Brazos Extension Horse Committee and Lost Meadows Mule Refuge.

Memberships Held

APHA, PtHA, AQHA, WCHA, OHSA

Equine Awards

-2022 PtHA Open World Champion, 2x Top 5, 2x Top 10
-14x APHA Youth World Champion, 1x All Around Champion, 3x All Around Res. Champion
-Brazos Extension Horse Committee Scholarship Recipient
-2x Capitol Area Quarter Horse Scholarship Recipient
-Texas Paint Horse Club Scholarship Recipient
-2019 TPHC President's Choice award winner
-2018 Youth World Games champion team member
-2018 Robyn Hanna Sportsmanship Scholarship Recipient
-2x Bluebonnet Equine Humane Society Champion Non-Pro Trainer
-2019 BEHS Champion Pro Trainer
-25x Texas State 4-H Champ or Res Champ
-6x Texas State 4-H All Around Champion
-Multiple year end/high point titles

Service & Experience

- Texas Paint Horse Club & Gulf Coast Paint Horse Club member
 - Youth Committee member (2 years)
 - Youth Committee Vice-Chair
 - Youth Subcommittee member
 - 2014-2020 AjPHA National Director
 - 2016-2019 AjPHA Executive Committee Member
 - 2018-19 AjPHA President
 - 2018 Youth World Games team member
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Why do you want to be and APHA State Director?

I would be honored to serve as an APHA State Director because I believe in the future of the association and its potential in continuing a widespread love for Paint horses. I bring a fresh perspective to the table as a young member who shows with multiple other organizations, but am also a longtime member of APHA who appreciates the tradition and history of the association. As state director, I would aim to uphold the ideals of the association while fostering a welcoming environment for new members so that the association may grow and thrive.
