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Arabian Horse Industry Individuals Take Home Big Wins from This Year's U.S. Equestrian Pegasus Awards Dinner

(19-JANUARY-18) – **AURORA, COLO.** – The 2018 USEF Pegasus Awards Dinner highlighted competitive achievements in 2017 and brought big wins for equestrians in the Arabian horse industry on Thursday, January 18 in Lexington, Ky.

Andrew Sellman was the recipient of the Norman K. Dunn Trophy, which is awarded to an equestrian competing at halter or in-hand.

"I knew Andy when he probably showed his very first Halter horse and he went on to become a very accomplished, as you can see from these statistics, a very accomplished trainer," said Cecile Dunn, long standing AHA and USEF member, and wife of Norman Dunn.

Bio courtesy of USEF:

Andrew Sellman is the owner of, and trainer at Argent Farms in River Falls, Wis. Sellman's amassed a prestigious and admirable competition record including:



- Six National championships
- Nine reserve National championships at the Arabian Horse Association's Canadian and U.S. National Championship Horse Shows.
- At U.S. Nationals, Sellman placed in 11 out of the 12 classes he entered.
- Received eight Top Ten placings, two Reserve National champion titles, and a unanimous National championship in the Arabian Senior Gelding class with Marvellous Xceptshahn.
- Sellman's lifetime winnings include 91 National championships, 68 reserve National championships, and 152 National Top Ten winners.
- His regional record boasts 139 championships, 59 reserve championships, and 47 top Five placings.

"He [Andrew Sellman] asked me to express his great gratitude for receiving the Norm Dunn [Norman Dunn] Trophy, and he also said that he loves being a part of USEF," said Glenn Petty, Executive Vice President of AHA, on behalf of Andrew Sellman at the 2018 Pegasus Awards Dinner.

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Josh Quintus was the recipient of the Barbara Worth Oakford Trophy, an award presented to an equestrian competing in a Non-Reining Western discipline.



"I'm very honored and very proud to receive this award tonight. And I'm more honored and more proud to be working with the Arabian horse, and the people that surround the Arabian horse." Quintus said at the dinner. "I would not trade a single day working with the Arabian horse for anything."

Bio courtesy of USEF:

Josh Quintus serves as the trainer at Colonial Woods Training Center, Inc., in Pilot Point, Texas with over 30 years of experience. Quintus' competition record includes:

- Has earned national titles in the Western Pleasure division at the 2017 AHA Canadian and U.S. National Championship Horse Shows,
 - Two National championships in Arabian Western Pleasure and Arabian Western **Pleasure Junior Horse**
 - Reserve National championship in the Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Western Pleasure 0 Futurity and the Arabian Western Pleasure Association (AWPA) Arabian Horse World \$100,000 Arabian Western Pleasure Futurity
- Earned Top Ten placings in the Arabian Western Pleasure Open, Arabian Western Pleasure Futurity, and the AWPA Equine Athlete \$50,000 Half-Arabian/Anglo-Arabian Western Pleasure Futurity at U.S. Nationals against a field of top horsemen and women.
- Holds his National/Regional Arabian judges card and since 2002 has been awarded 87 Regional level and 84 National level awards in the Western Pleasure division.

The immediate past President of the Arabian Horse Association (AHA), Cynthia Richardson, was the recipient of the Sallie Busch Wheeler Trophy for her efforts and service to the sport.



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