

Endless Gratitude For All Our Spring Show Volunteers!

Volunteers. Their generous donation of time and skills make our May show possible.

Marta Koenig on Saturday and **Victor Glunt** on Sunday logged 16,000 steps each as runners!

Victor even added 3,000 more when he helped break down and load the arenas, plus pack and load our boxes.

Our scribes **Beth Circle**, **Pam Hogg**, and **Veronica Moody** probably logged that many miles on their fingers, especially Pam who scribed both days in addition to ferrying judges around.

Jan Cibula and **Veronica Moody** spent all day and into the night setting up the Silent Auction, then taking payments. Jan even came back on Sunday to contact purchasers and close it out.

Cathy Orban organized all the breed awards and worked the awards desk Saturday morning. Best of all, she donated her daughter **Alaina** to work both days on the gates and scoring.

Nancy Trait-Lira risked life, limbs, and fingers by being our bit checker both days.

Newcomers to our club, **Lindsey Greco** and **Valerie Sanders** were invaluable! Lindsey put up with my scheduling snafu and worked both days at the arenas. Valerie helped set up arenas on Friday and then came back both Saturday and Sunday afternoons to work on the gate.

Scoring is always a tough job, making sure all the tests are correctly scored and then recorded. **Katrina Gerin** worked all day Saturday and **Jeff Page** all day Sunday. **Pamela Byers**, **Susan Mohler**, **Laura Taylor** and **Alaina Orban** all worked half days.

Pamela Byers, **Patty Couch** and **Betsy Barnes** (who has been President of Green Country Arabians for the last decade) all worked on the gate.

Zoe Page worked all day Sunday at the gate and is our official "bit checker in training!"

Arena set up was accomplished Friday in our shortest time yet – a little over an hour for both arenas – thanks to **Sherry Guess**, **Kay Kamish**, **Marta Koenig**, **Veronica Moody**, **Valerie Sanders** and **Nancy Trait-Lira**. Since I was taking judges to the airport, I missed the speediest arenas break down on record, probably with the above-mentioned people, plus **Victor Glunt** and **Zoe** and **Jeff Page**. Jeff took the ODS trailer away to be ready for the Green Country Chapter show June 15-16.

And don't forget the highly skilled tech people! From **Melissa Furman** who provided both the program cover and the silent auction flyer, to both **Nicole Burris** and **Emily Moser** who planned to provide the facebook information and program and who BOTH ended up with surgeries. And so many thanks to Rebekah Page who at the very last minute (!) stepped in and put the program together for us.

Our Show Committee not only did pre-planning, but were on-site during the show. **Robin Grain-Walkup** and husband **David** were barn managers, plus brought lunches for all and filled in as needed. **Pamela DeVore** was the MC for Saturday night, as well as handling all the extra jobs all three days. **Pam Rhodes** again secured, brought and removed the flowers that make the arena so much more attractive. And don't forget that our show does not provide all the financial support needed to pay for the wonderful Tulsa Expo venue. **Roberta Clark** and **Amanda Edwards** are our outstanding sponsorships gatherers, aided by a variety of people. Know also that the show efforts start again as soon as one ends. Decisions about officials, insurance, venues contracts, food selections, program decisions, awards, ribbons, and a hundred of other invisible decisions are made by the show committee in order to produce the show competitors can enjoy.

And don't forget that **Susan Peacock** DONATES her services as show secretary in honor of her parents – Bob and Bee Pape – who were the initiators and long-time supporters of Oklahoma Dressage Society!

Many thanks to all!!!

Sherry Guess



