

TDF Awards Evie Tumlin Memorial Fund Grants To Adult Amateurs from Region 9



April 12, 2019 – The Dressage Foundation is pleased to announce that the 2019 Evie Tumlin Memorial Fund Grants for Region 9 Adult Amateurs have been awarded to Pamela DeVore (OK) and Gail Lewis (TX). The purpose of the Evie Tumlin Memorial Fund is to provide grants to Adult Amateur riders who currently reside in USDF Region 9, to aid in their development in dressage and/or eventing.

Pamela is a resident of Seminole, Oklahoma, and has served as the Oklahoma Dressage Society President for 3 years. She has ridden dressage for 19 years and has

shown through 3rd Level, with a goal of showing 4th Level this year. Pamela will use her \$500 grant to participate in a clinic with Betsy Steiner in May. She shared, “I have been a fan of Betsy for years. As a mother of two daughters who also rode dressage, I spent years auditing while they got to ride with high- caliber trainers. It is now my turn to learn in the saddle!”

Gail, from Austin, Texas, is a member and active volunteer of Austin Dressage Unlimited. She has studied dressage for 25 years and earned her USDF bronze medal in 2018. Gail will use her \$500 grant to take lessons with a former Chief Rider of the Spanish Riding School in September. She said, “Wei and I are smiling! We are so happy to receive the Evie Tumlin Fund grant and have the opportunity to ride with a Chief Rider of the Spanish Riding School. This is my chance to learn from one of the living masters, who learned this centuries-old art from the masters before him.”

Evie Tumlin was an integral part of her Region 9 dressage and eventing community. Throughout her years of serving and helping others, she touched many lives and helped to raise several generations of young men and women who loved horses. This Fund was established in memory of Evie by her friends and colleagues in Region 9. Grants are for educational experiences that will further the applicant’s knowledge of dressage and are in addition to the applicant’s typical training plan. The grant application deadline is March 1st of each year.

Donations to support Region 9 Adult Amateurs through the Evie Tumlin Memorial Fund are welcome. Information and online giving are available at www.dressagefoundation.org.



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