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## PA-BRED REMINDERS

- **Early registration:**  
Within 365 days of foaling
- **Yearling registration:**  
Dec. 31 of yearling year
- **Stallion registration:**  
April 30 of year breeding
- **Broodmare domicile report:**  
Oct. 15 prior to year foaling or  
within 15 days of arrival in state

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## Lojeski's childhood passion becomes lifelong

By Barbara Luna

Horse crazy little girls can grow up to be horse crazy women. A detour during their grownup years into fast-paced careers or the raising of families can temporarily shelve that passion before the dedication to their equine charges consumes their lives again, eliminating vacations and hobbies and keeping these women home on the farm well into retirement – if they retire at all.

Shirley Lojeski would have it no other way. "I am not very interesting," said Lojeski. "What excites me is seeing a beautiful load of hay being driven down the road. What do they say? 'I used to have money but now I have horses'."

Lojeski developed her love of horses as a child. "As long as I can remember I wanted to be around them," she said. "My father used to foxhunt and Fulmer Miller, who kept the hounds at a nearby farm, used to tell him to send me over when I was just a small child. When I got old enough I began riding with him and eventually had show horses.

"Then my life changed and I grew up," she said. Her detour away from horses was a career in clothing retail management in New York City before she met Thomas Treadway. "Thomas convinced me to stop working and I found myself bored to tears," she said. "I was used to working seven days a week and needed something to do. I am not really domestic so I started raising goats and rabbits to keep myself busy." Thirty-eight years later she and Treadway are still together and have dedicated themselves to a thriving 100-acre farm in Emmaus, Pa., where she foals Thoroughbred mares and offers rest or rehabilitation to those that have been racing. "It is just a small operation," Lojeski said. "We don't advertise and I like to be hands-on with everything and don't want to take on more than four of us—Thomas, our help Tony and Eddie, and I—can handle. We have good help and good owners."

Trainer John Servis, who has known Lojeski and Treadway since 1983, says all of his owners who do not own their own farms use Lojeski to foal their mares and freshen their runners. "Shirley and Thomas are just fantastic people," he said. "They were some of my first owners when I began training and I worked for them for about eight years. I know she'd feed her horses before she fed herself if she had to and she has done a great job for everyone I know." Servis has experienced the benefits of her astute horsemanship as well as her friendship and getting to know her when she invited him to hunt deer on her property, which he does during the holidays. "Her vacation time, I think, is the holidays. Choosing her live Christmas trees is a major effort as she takes a lot of time looking for the perfect ones and decorates them with equal intensity. She is the same way with her flowers in the spring. When she dedicates herself to something, she is really dedicated."

Servis, Pat Chapman, Texan Jon Marshall, Dan Canella, Main Line Racing Stable, Ed Hipps and Kirwan Equine Group are some of her regular clients. A private person, Lojeski warms up to telling stories about horses she has known. She is also stubborn and obsessed with keeping her farm lush with grass, Servis says, even posting signs everywhere that warn against driving on it.

Servis retired Smarty Jones' pony Butter-scotch to Lojeski's farm where he lived out the remainder of his life. When his replacement Jinx earned a vacation there and was scheduled to return to Parx, Servis got a phone call from Lojeski. "She said they couldn't catch him to ship him back," he said. "I drove up there with a crew, peppermints, a longe line and he still wouldn't cooperate. Shirley finally had to call the veterinarian who had to catch him with a tranquilizer gun. I was ready for him the next time he visited," said Lojeski. "We kept him near the barn where he

couldn't see all of the other horses and I gave him one of my 2-year-olds as a companion. He was much easier to send back then."

This year foaling season started in January and ended in May resulting in 15 babies, Lojeski's favorite part of the business. "I love it here all day every day," she said. "But the babies are my favorite though they can be the most heartbreaking," she said. "I still breed a couple myself, this year sending mares to El Padrino, Smarty Jones and my own stallion [the Irish-bred] Tekken."

A 1994 son of Nureyev, Tekken was a grass horse trained by John Servis throughout most of his career. Three times graded stakes-placed, Tekken came to Lojeski's farm as a layup who also resented returning to the track. "So John just sent him back to me," said Lojeski. "He was just a little guy but when his R & R here was over his heart just wasn't in racing anymore. He'd scream, yell for the mares—it was time to retire. We didn't

breed him a whole lot but he did well with the kind of mares he got and could get them in foal under first cover." In 2014 he sired nine runners, three winners. Lifetime his runners have earned more than \$1.5 million, for nearly \$50,000 in average earnings per runner.

Owner Toni Kirwan, who has horses in training with Marcos Zuleta at Parx and Michael Trombetta at Fair Hill, has three broodmares who foal at Lojeski Farm. "Shirley is quiet and watches every little thing. Her business is truly her life. We started with her about 10 years ago and she has foaled every mare we have had."

So impressed with the farm, horses and their care, Kirwan was inspired to write a poem for Lojeski, which relays images of rolling green pastures, a century-old house in holiday attire with live Christmas trees, and fresh baked walnut cranberry bread. She also mentions a horse named Frozen Dew. Servis remembers the big gray Zoot Alors gelding

as an inexpensive yearling purchase at the Fasig-Tipton Kentucky sale in October 1988. Lojeski says she purchased three horses at the sale for under \$10,000, with then unnamed Frozen Dew her potential show horse prospect.

"John and I flew home without even knowing if we got him," she said. "We left someone do the bidding for us. Once we were on the plane I looked out and saw frost on the wing and said it looked like frozen dew. We later found out we had the highest bid for the yearling at \$3,500 and I named him Frozen Dew. A friend of mine suggested racing him first, saying he could always become a show horse after his career on the track was over," she said. Servis had just picked up a big owner when Frozen Dew was ready for the track so Lojeski sent him to the late E.T. Garcia, who saddled the Kentucky-bred for 22 wins in 62 starts, 19 of those victories at Philadelphia Park. He earned \$238,516 and retired a mul-

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## A few words from the Executive Secretary

Congratulations to Penn National, which hosted a great night of racing on Saturday, May 30, highlighted by the Grade 3 Penn Mile. Our 36th Annual Iroquois Awards Dinner honoring the 2014 PA-Bred champions was also held that evening, and the PA-Bred Lyphard Stakes was one of five stakes on the evening's card.

Royal Renege brought home the gold in the Lyphard for owner/breeder Nina Gardner and trainer Liz Merryman, rallying on the final turn and then holding on to beat last year's winner Lenape Rim. The Lyphard was the third PA-Bred stakes this year whose entries overfilled. What a great start for Pennsylvania racing.



This year's banquet honored 54 stakes winners, of which eight were graded-winning PA-Breds. Newly elected President Roger E. Legg explained to all present that a milestone for Pennsylvania racing was reached by the running of 545 Restricted Races. He also exposed the misnomer that the Race Horse Development Fund has been severely depleted by Harrisburg. "The truth is that the Fund has been constant since 2010, in fact it grew by \$20 million in 2014," said Legg. Over \$33 million, a new high, was paid out to PA-Breds in the form of Breeder Awards, Restricted Races and Owner Bonouses last year. "Thank you to breeders and owners of PA-Breds along with the horsemen's organizations whose support have made PA the place to Breed and Race," said Roger. "So Breed More Mares!"

### Pennsylvania Breeding Fund Disbursements Like Clockwork, Year In and Year Out



**PENNSYLVANIA**  
HORSE BREEDERS  
ASSOCIATION

**2014** - \$33,035,700  
**2013** - \$29,499,086  
**2012** - \$30,109,859  
**2011** - \$21,136,541

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The goal of the organization is to advocate on behalf of the state's breeding industry. We are mandated by statute as administrator of the Pennsylvania Breeding Fund program, and as official registrar of the Pennsylvania-Bred roster of eligible program participants.

Working with industry leaders over the years, PHBA has achieved several goals that have brought reform and benefits to breeders, owners, race tracks and the public. The PHBA is vital to everyone involved in breeding throughout Pennsylvania. Your support and participation can help Pennsylvania's breeding industry continue to grow and prosper.

## 2015 PA-Bred Stakes Schedule with Results

- Sat., May 2 **\$75,000 Lyman H**, 3 & up, 7 fur.  
Parx  
1st-A Fleet Attitude, 2nd-Kobel, 3rd-Yougotthatgoinforu
- \$75,000 Foxy J. G. S**, 3 & up, fillies & mares, 7 fur.  
1st-Power of Snunner, 2nd-Shoplift, 3rd-Fat Kat
- Sat., May 30 **\$75,000 Lyphard S**, 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$  mi., turf  
Penn  
1st-Royal Renege, 2nd-Lenape Rim, 3rd-Bound
- Fri., June 12 **\$75,000 Danzig S**, 3YO, 6 fur.  
Penn  
1st-Amplified, 2nd-Instructor Kunu, 3rd-Duff
- \$75,000 New Start S**, 3YO fillies, 6 fur.  
1st-Capar Girl, 2nd-C R S Angels, 3rd-Rockin Jojo
- Sun., July 12, **\$75,000 Leematt S**, 3 & up, 1 mi.  
PID
- \$75,000 Northern Fling S**, 3 & up, fillies & mares, 1 mi.
- Sat., July 25, **\$75,000 Crowd Pleaser S**, 3YO, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$  mi., turf  
Parx
- \$75,000 Power by Far S**, 3 & up, fillies & mares, 5 fur., turf
- Sun., Aug. 9, **\$75,000 Malvern Rose S**, 3YO fillies, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$  mi.  
PID
- Sat., Aug. 22, **\$75,000 Robellino S**, 3 & up, 1 $\frac{1}{16}$  mi., turf  
Penn

## PHBA Annual Awards Dinner May 30

Photographs by Robert P. Weber



PHBA President Roger E. Legg, Esquire MC for the evening's festivities.



PHBA Executive Secretary Brian Sanfratello presenting 25th anniversary TCA award to Danielle Montgomery, program director of Turning for Home.



Deborah Rush of Two Sisters' Farm accepting DUFF's Champion 2YO Male award from PA Secretary of Agriculture Russell C. Redding.



SHRC Commissioner Tom Ellis presenting to Paul Conaway Jr. for Champion 3YO Male FAVORITE TALE.



Breeders Lynn and Chris Boutte accept award from PHBA BOD Jane White (center) for Champion 2YO Filly HAPPY TO GO.



PHBA BOD Gregory Newell presenting Champion Older Female PRINCESS OF SYLMAR to co-owner/breeder Martin Kelly and Eric Stanco (son of co-owner/breeder Ed Stanco).



Jane White presenting Champion 3YO Filly and Female Sprinter MISS BEHAVIOUR award to co-breeder Cal MacWilliam.



# PA-Bred Fund Statistics: Top Earners

(January 1, 2015 through April 30, 2015, rounded to dollars)

## LEADING EARNERS - TOTAL AWARDS

Breeder Name	Breeder	Stallion	Owner	Total	Breeder Name	Breeder	Stallion	Owner	Total
Northview Stallion Station Inc.	759	75,264	0	76,023	Triton Farms LLC	18,876	11,604	0	30,480
Michael W. Jester	30,051	36,801	0	66,852	George Strawbridge Jr.	19,661	5,589	0	25,250
Estate of Joseph W. Holman Jr.	47,521	0	0	47,521	Wyn Oaks Farm LLC	13,199	10,614	0	23,812
Glenn E. Brok LLC	47,294	0	0	47,294	Ashwell Stables Inc.	21,769	0	0	21,769
Sylmar Farm Inc.	42,065	0	0	42,065	Barlar LLC	16,447	4,392	0	20,838
William J. Solomon VMD	6,772	34,562	0	41,334	Pot o'Gold Stable LLC	15,804	4,856	0	20,660
Charles C.D. McGill	40,267	0	0	40,267	Flint W. Stites	15,346	4,726	0	20,072
Xanthus Farms Inc.	31,976	5,038	0	37,014	Charles A. Cuprill	14,827	4,942	0	19,769
Arrowwood Farm Inc.	31,333	0	0	31,333	James M. Courtney	19,404	0	0	19,404
Fitzhugh LLC	31,212	0	0	31,212	Pewter Stable	14,705	4,385	0	19,090

## LEADING STALLIONS

Fund Money includes Stallion Awards only

Stallion Name	Stallion Owner / Manager	No. of Races	Award Total	Stallion Name	Stallion Owner / Manager	No. of Races	Award Total
Medallist	Northview Stallion Station Inc.	43	25,134	Weigelia	Wyn Oaks Farm LLC	38	10,614
Fairbanks	Northview Stallion Station Inc.	87	23,861	Albert the Great	William J. Solomon VMD	45	8,927
Jump Start	Northview Stallion Station Inc.	54	23,021	Trust N Luck	Michael W. Jester	20	8,545
Talent Search	Kenneth L. Ramsey	34	15,407	Toccet	Castleton Lyons Inc.	35	7,711
Cat Thief	Michael W. Jester	59	14,953	Activist	Judith M. Barrett	34	7,375
Ecclesiastic	Walmac Stud Management LLC	53	13,784	Partner's Hero	Peter Giangiulio	22	6,243
Real Quiet	Michael W. Jester	42	13,303	Rimrod	George Strawbridge Jr.	26	5,589
Monba	Triton Farms LLC	39	11,604	Wiseman's Ferry	Lainey Bug Stables LLC	21	5,270
Smarty Jones	Patricia L. Chapman	17	11,169	More Smoke	William J. Solomon VMD	36	5,126
Lite the Fuse	William J. Solomon VMD	36	10,957	Alex's Pal	Pot o'Gold Stable LLC	19	4,856

## LEADING HORSES

Fund Money includes: PA-Bred Races, Breeder, Stallion and Owner Awards and PA-Bred Owner-Bonus Payments

Horse	Pedigree	Breeder	Races	PA-Bred Restricted Purse	PA-Bred Stakes Purse	Total Breeder Award	Total Stallion Award	Total Owner Award	Total Owner Bonus	Total Fund Amount
Indiscreetness	Discreetly Mine - Warm Springs Girl	Arlene London	3	0	0	15,456	0	0	22,080	37,536
Siete de Oros	A.P. Warrior - Crafty Sarah	Glenn E. Brok LLC	4	0	0	17,880	0	0	19,200	37,080
Brazilian Symphony *	Fairbanks - Brazilian Bliss	Estate of Joseph W. Holman Jr.	3	0	0	14,868	4,956	0	14,160	33,984
Blitzensmajkreign	Street Magician - Blitzen's Echo	Toni M. Kirwan	4	0	0	13,932	0	0	18,000	31,932
Modest Mouse *	Lyracist - Sophiano	Mouse House Farm LLC	3	0	0	13,419	4,473	0	12,780	30,672
Darn Quiet *	Real Quiet - Darn Wild	Estate of Joseph W. Holman Jr.	4	0	0	12,844	4,281	0	12,232	29,357
Curly W	Macho Uno - Nice Dilemma	DMD Thoroughbreds LLC	3	0	0	14,076	0	0	14,400	28,476
Fat Kat *	Weigelia - Katarica Disco	St. Omer's Farm	3	0	0	12,813	4,271	0	11,040	28,124
Gypsy Fire *	Alex's Pal - Carly Pooh	Pot o'Gold Stable LLC	4	0	0	11,760	3,920	0	11,200	26,880
Monba Mia *	Monba - Emma Momenta	Vintage Thoroughbreds LLC	4	0	0	11,508	3,836	0	10,960	26,304
Linda's Last	Spring At Last - Flagnlinda	Frances Hartwell	4	0	0	13,146	0	0	12,780	25,926
Grasshoppin *	Cat Thief - Sweetheart Sami	Michael W. Jester	2	0	0	11,340	3,780	0	10,800	25,920

\*Denotes PA-sired

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triple stakes winner in 1993 to Lojeski's farm. "I called him Dewy and eventually sold him to a gentleman who wanted a horse for himself although he was beginner rider," she said. The man was insistent on purchasing Dewy, who toted him around safely and seemed to predict every mishap the inexperienced rider made. "If he lost his balance to the right Dewy shifted

over to the right so he wouldn't fall off. It was a match made in heaven." When Dewy died, his owner created a burial site lined with hay and a full feed bucket to send him on his way, even lining the gravesite with a ring of stones.

Lojeski and Treadway are content to stay on the farm most days, with their visits to the racetrack infrequent. Servis expects that could

change as he is preparing a 2-year-old filly named Anytime Soon at Parx. "I like her looks and I like the way she moves," said Servis. "She is by Fairbanks out of Tekken's Blue Moon. Her sire is a son of Giant's Causeway who stands at Northview and she may be something for which to leave the farm."