



MINNESOTA QUARTER HORSE RACING ASSOCIATION

**SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY FOR MINNESOTA YOUTH
\$1,000 SCHOLARSHIP**

**“YOUTH DAY AT THE RACES”
JUNE 14, 2008**

**Sponsored by
Minnesota Quarter Horse Racing Association**

Take advantage of this opportunity to gain a first hand view of American Quarter Horse racing. Spend a full day at Canterbury Park experiencing the activities involved with preparing a Quarter Horse to run, then attending the races, hearing the call. Submit your essay! There is nothing to lose.

A dozen participants will be chosen from entrants in an essay contest to be judged by a panel of judges representing various affiliations of the Quarter Horse Racing industry. Entries must be received on or before **June 1, 2008.**

At the conclusion of “Youth Day At The Races,” the 12 participants will be given a short test covering the day’s activities to determine the winner of the **\$1,000 scholarship.**

“Youth Day At The Races” contest rules:

1. Contestants must be a member of AQHYA (American Quarter Horse Youth Association)
2. Must be between the ages of 14 and 18 years old.
3. Must be a Minnesota resident
4. Must submit a written essay of 1000words or less on: **“Why Participation In “Youth Day At The Races” Is Important to Me.”**
5. Entries must be received on or before June 1 , 2008. Submit entries to:

Doug Steiskal
24547 Tulip St. NW
Isanti, MN 55040
E-mail: grandmasandy7@juno.com

Inquiries to: Doug Steiskal, MQHRA Treasurer at 763-444-6121 or Al Lundgren at 763-559-2637.

Youth Day At The Races” Schedule of Events

- 8:00 a.m. Meet at Canterbury Park by stable gate
- Observe preparation for morning work
 - Observe morning work and discuss with trainer
 - Meet the gate crew and observe horses working from gates
 - Meet with exercise rider or jockey and discuss riding racehorses
- 11:00 a.m. Watch the “draw” (entering horses in races, assigning jockeys, and drawing for post position) in the racing office
- Noon Tour the front side of the racetrack:
- Visit the paddock, “jock’s room”, security office, photo lab, pari-mutuel windows, telereading department etc.
 - Meet with representatives from track management
 - Talk with stewards, track officials, and the horsemen’s bookkeeper
 - Attend live racing and have lunch with MQHRA representatives
 - Meet with track announcer Paul Allen and observe his preparations and the call of a race

Prior to the conclusion of “Youth Day At The Races,” attendees will take a short test covering the information presented during the day. The high scorer will receive a \$1,000 college scholarship to be presented at the time of entry into the school of his or her choice. In the event of a tie, the scholarship money will be divided equally among the winners. MQHRA will hold the money in escrow until the funds are requested for release and documentation of enrollment is presented.

Parents or accompanying adults will be entertained during live racing by MQHRA. MQHRA would like to thank our co-sponsors AQHA, and Canterbury Park for their generous support.

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Please submit the following information along with the contest entry essay:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ MN Zip Code _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail address (optional): _____

Signature of Parent or guardian if under 18 years: _____

Mail entry to: Doug Steiskal, 24547 Tulip St. NW, Isanti, MN 55040 or E-mail to grandmasandy7@Juno.com