

Claudia Depew – Treasurer Position

In 2007, I met my first Rocky Mountain horse and fell in love with the breed. I became a lifetime member of the RMHA several years later. My family now has six Rocky Mountain horses that we trail ride primarily in Big South Fork Park. I also participate in the trail pleasure program and am very interested in preserving all the positive qualities of the Rocky Mountain breed. Those qualities in my opinion include but are not limited to a positive temperament, sturdy build, versatility and smooth natural gait.

I am running for the position of treasurer and am a certified public accountant. I have worked in public accounting for over twenty years and have assisted many businesses with financial reporting and accounting issues in that role. I am well qualified for the treasurer position. It is my view that the treasurer position benefits from a person that can provide financial reporting guidance to office staff as well as provide meaningful financial information to the board and membership.

I am the current treasurer and have been in this position since July 2015. During 2017, the RMHA had a financial statement audit on 2016 financial results in accordance with the RMHA by-laws in place at that time. The result was an unqualified or clean audit opinion with no recommended adjustments. During 2016, I assisted the office staff in the conversion to and utilization of the current accounting software. The RMHA board is receiving better financial information upon which to make financial decisions with the implementation of this software and the budgeting feature of this software. The RMHA is trending positively and is operating with a balanced budget.

Areas of focus for the RMHA, in my opinion, should be continued financial responsibility, continued technology improvements, membership involvement and development, and last but not least preservation and promotion of the breed.

The RMHA has a very qualified and diverse board in place. In addition, the RMHA has very hard working and dedicated committees in place. I am pleased to see members of the board and committees originating from many locales. I encourage each of you to vote and continue the continuity of the RMHA. I would very much appreciate your vote.