

I am a candidate for re-election to the Hearing Panel as Board Member. I have served two terms on the RMHA Board and have been involved on several committees (ISC, Marketing Committee, the 5 Year Strategic Planning Committee, and the Ad Hoc Breed Standard Committee). Dolly Pierson and I have been involved with Rockies since 2007 and RMHA members as well. My professional background includes: USMC, Management Consultant (8.5 years), Healthcare Operations (21 years-Director Management Engineering/Continuous Improvement, Quality, Project Management, Process Engineer), and Retail Department Management (9 years). I have served as Board President for a \$6 million Credit Union (5 year-volunteer) and Director on Board for a Working Group Association (dog group). My personal life includes: Dolly and 2 daughters and 2 grand-children and stepping into retirement. My hobbies are horses, dogs and motorcycles. I am a breeder, trainer and exhibitor.

I have bred and shown Giant Schnauzers for over 30 years under the Keystone name, producing many family companions, show dogs in Conformation, Obedience, Rally, Tracking, and Schutzhund. I have exported and imported. I have been a member of Giant Schnauzer Club of America (since 1975) served on various show committees and am a recommended Breeder in Good Standing. I am also a recommended Breeder in the referral program through the American Kennel Club.

Horses became of interest in 2007 when we purchased our first three fillies. We had our first two foals in 2009, and participated in our first show in 2010. We have promoted Rockies at every opportunity we can (local shows/events, trail rides, parks and forest preserves, World and International shows, Illinois Horse Fair, Midwest Horse Fair, breed demos and compete in many organizations and associations).

We need to implement the Strategic Plan that we recently established. If we follow our Mission and Vision, we can't go wrong. Personal agendas will not prevail. Our vision is- for the MEMBERS and our HORSES. We need to continue doing the RIGHT THINGS, the RIGHT WAY.

"Horse for all occasions" means just that to me. Versatility. The Rocky can do all things, given the conditioning, training and resources. We just need to determine what those things are and develop programs to support the members in their efforts.

Understanding what buyers and members want is what helped me with the dogs. I plan to continue to bring this same enthusiasm and business thinking to RMHA and continue the improvements we are realizing.

Kelvin W Robbins