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On The Cover Spotlight

By Karen Marnie



Pedigree: Faramond is double Fame VF

Faramond BPA+

Sire: Versace by (Fame VF)

Dam: JDM Famarra by (Fame VF)

Born 4-7-2007

Here is a list of his Regional, Canadian & US National wins.

- 2014

Region 10 Top 5 Arabian Western Pleasure AAOTR

Top Ten US Nationals Arabian Western Pleasure AAOTR 55 & Over

- 2013

Region 2 Top 3 Arabian Western Pleasure Select

Region 2 Top 3 Arabian Western Pleasure AATR

Region 3 Reserve Champion Arabian Western Pleasure AATR

Region 3 Champion Arabian Western Pleasure Select

Top Ten Canadian Nationals Arabian Western Pleasure Select AATR

Top Ten Canadian Nationals Arabian Western Pleasure AATR 40 & Over

Top Ten US Nationals Arabian Western Pleasure Select

AATR

- 2011

Region 1 Top 4 Arabian Western Pleasure JR Horse

Region 3 Reserve Champion Arabian Western Pleasure JR Horse

Top Ten US Nationals Arabian Western Pleasure AAO

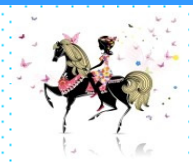
Maturity

- 2010

Top 10 US Nationals Arabian Western Pleasure Futurity



On The Cover Spotlight **By Karen Marnie**



I met Faramond BPA through a close friend. Liz Alward, purchased Faramond in 2009 as a 3 year old & sent him on to a trainer in California to start his show career.

I fell in love with Faramond BPA the moment I first saw him back in 2010 when Liz first sent me pictures of him.

From 2010 all through Oct of 2013 her & I would swap tales of Faramond, & she would send me her current pictures & videos. Plus when available on live feed, I would watch him being shown at the local shows in California & at both the Canadian & US Nationals.

Liz had purchased him to resale so this was always on the back of my mind as I watched him go on in his career.

In 2013 Liz & I went to US Nationals in Tulsa OK where she told her trainer she wanted him sold at that Nationals.

I remember this so clearly. It was the Thursday before the close of Nationals & we where on our way back to the hotel after the days classes and he had not yet been sold.

Every time we talked about someone that was looking at Faramond to purchase him, a melancholy feeling would come over me. I had watched and loved this horse for 4 years so I decided right then that I could not let this chance pass me by and asked Liz to sell him to me. I took him home from Nationals and have had a wonderful time showing & learning how to ride him.

This year we went Top Five at Region 10 so I decided to try US Nationals. I had a wonderful time at Nationals. I felt I had my best ride ever in my first section and we ended up 4th over all in that cut. In my finals class I got very nervous and did not ride him as well as I could have, but Faramond was able to win in spite of my nerves. When I was standing at the end of the arena after the Top Ten where called in, I looked down the row of the beautiful ten horses standing by my side and realized that I was amongst past National Champions, Reserve National Champions & Top Ten horses. It was a dream come true.

He is in training at Randy Sullivan's Training Center & Randy has done a fabulous job with Faramond and I am looking forward to our future show career together.



Abu Calendar of Events 2015



MEETINGS:

- **JAN 13:** ABU GENERAL MEETING Gatto's Restaurant Rt30 & Schoolhouse Rd. New Lenox 7PM
- **FEB 10:** ABU GENERAL MEETING Nancy Herlitz home 708-946-2559 7PM
- **MAR 10:** ABU GENERAL MEETING Kathy Root home 708-207-1075 7PM

SPECIAL HORSE EVENTS:

- **JAN 31:** TACK SWAP at Francis Field. 801 E Francis Rd. New Lenox, IL. 8a-1p Bob Soukup 815-212-3334
- **FLEA MARKET/CRAFT SHOWS/AUCTIONS**
- **JAN 11:** Hintze Auction at Francis Field. 801 E Francis Rd. New Lenox, IL. 9a-3p
- **JAN 18:** Mokena Park 9a-2p held at The Oaks Rec & Fitness Center 10847 W LaPorte Rd. For sellers RSVP 708-390-2401
- **JAN 25:** Hintze Auction at Francis Field 9a-3p
- **FEB 8:** Hintze Auction at Francis Field 9a-3p
- **MAR 1** Hintze Auction at Francis Field 9a-3p

Rescue & Rehoming.

Due to our economy and the hardship that many people are facing there are many horses available for adoption. Many of the horses still have many good years left to bring pleasure to prospective owners. We will focus on the Arabian horse, but will not discriminate if there are other horses also looking for a forever home. We will gladly list the information and pictures, however; it will be up to those interested in a certain horse to follow up with the owner or rescue. It is a must to have a veterinarian check the horse out too. If you know of a horse or horses please send the information to the editor and we will gladly profile the horse. This is an attempt to keep the horses out of the auction barns. There will be more information regarding new regulations coming from the European Union about US horses...

Submitted by Gail Wiot

Happy Birthday to:
Sheryl Lawman 1/13
Diane Harn 1/25
Janet Alvarado 2/16
Vickie Novak 2/17
Lois Mitchell 2/25





Tid Bits



2014 ABU Achievement Awards Results

HORSE	NAME	POINTS
Cativo HA	Evelyn Dik	124
CA Candente	Evelyn Dik	636
Dreams of Gold	Evelyn Dik	156
MNM Midnight Hawk	Sue Collins	270
Moonlyte Mirage	Nicole Hawkins	36
Zanzibaar	Nicole, Ben, Luke Hawkins	735
Whooza Palooza	Denise Sanstrom	75
Zips Cherokee Chief	Denise Sanstrom	20
Galamaya	Vickie Novak	218

Final Results for 2014

Awards

Achievement Award

500 Points - (Halter With Engraved Nameplate)

Achievement Plus Award

750 Points - (Embroidered Bridle Bag)

Supreme Achievement Award

1000 Points - Embroidered Wool Cooler)

(125 of the pts.in Halter, Regionals, Sport Horse in Hand or Nationals)

Supreme Achievement Star Award

2000 Points - (ABU Silver Certificate and Halter Nameplate)

"Things to Be Thankful For"

(Author Unknown)

Be thankful for the clothes

That fit a little too snug, because it means you have enough to eat.

Be thankful for the mess you clean up after a party, because it means you have been surrounded by friends.

Be thankful for the taxes you pay, because it means that you're employed.

Be thankful that your lawn needs mowing and your windows need fixing because it means you have a home.

Be thankful for you heating bill, because it means you are warm.

Be thankful for the laundry, because it means you have clothes to wear.

Be thankful for the space you find at the far end of the parking lot, because it means you can walk.

Be thankful for the lady who sings Off-key behind you in church, because it means you can hear.

Be thankful people complain about the government, because it means we have freedom of speech.

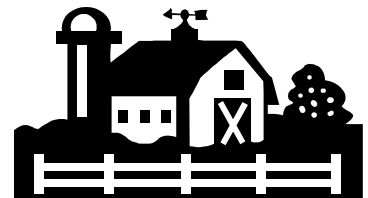
Be thankful for the alarm that goes off in the early morning hours, because it means you're alive.

Submitted by Nancy H.

Suzanne - I have enjoyed the articles about Reckless. There is a book about Reckless published in 1955 called Reckless Prize of the Marines by Andrew Beer. If anyone is interested, I believe it is still available on line.

You are doing a great job with the newsletter.

Nancy Harris



Thank you Nancy M. for your comments. shk



Letters to the Editors: Gail & Suzanne



Hi Gail,
Thanks so much for bringing this huge basket to convention. Please thank your club for me and all of us here at Rancho California Arabian Horse Association of Region One. It was so wonderful to meet you and share lunch with you. Leslie and I had a great time. We wish you safe travel home!

Sincerely,
Vandi Reeves
951-203-8144

Thank you Evelyn Dik for the basket and items you had donated. gw

Gail & I had the pleasure of having lunch at Mamma Onesta's. Congratulations to Mamma for a great review from our local paper. shk

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DINING OUT

THE MOKENA MESSENGER | October 30, 2014 | 23

THE DISH

Mamma Onesta's offers honestly good Italian fare

DENNIS D. JACOBS, Contributing Editor

One would think a city with a strong Italian heritage like Lockport would have an outstanding Italian restaurant.

It does. Mamma Onesta's, 1100 S. State St., fits the bill in every category. Cozy, convivial atmosphere? Check.

Italian family owned? Check. Reasonable prices? Check. Entrées with heaps of mouth-watering pasta? Check.

An example of why that last category can be checked off is one of Mamma Onesta's signature dishes, the chicken Pompeii (\$17.95). The dish features tender, sautéed, boneless chicken breasts in an oil, garlic and white wine sauce on a generous bed of spaghetti, all smothered with layers of spinach and mozzarella.

Despite its name, there is nothing

volcanic about this dish. The mild sauce makes everything go down smoothly.

Mamma Onesta's owner Frank DeGrassi said diners can substitute angel hair pasta or gluten-free pasta in the recipe.

Mamma Onesta's chicken Pompeii is the creation of head chef Alex Zermeno.

"It's actually his recipe," DeGrassi said. "It's not a family recipe. It's gotten to be very popular. ... Our head chef has been with us since we opened seven years ago. He's been a real big key to our success."

DeGrassi grew up in Chicago's Little Italy neighborhood.

"That's where I got the idea for the restaurant," he said.

Inspiration also came from DeGrassi's family heritage. His ancestors lived in Trieste, Italy, which he notes is not far from Asiago, Italy — Lockport's new sister city.

"Both my parents were from there," DeGrassi said. "We had a lot of family recipes we brought in [to Mamma Onesta's]. My sister had a restaurant in Florida. She helped us with opening and a few recipes from her restaurant, which were all family recipes, also."

DeGrassi said "onesta" means "honest" in Italian, and the restaurant is named after his honest, hard-working mother, Erminia.

Despite his Italian roots, DeGrassi leaves the cooking to the restaurant's four chefs.

"They make little tweaks and twists to our family recipes that made them even better," DeGrassi said. "That's another key to our success. I stay away from the kitchen. I'm the numbers and manager guy."

DeGrassi's wife, Mary, is a co-owner of Mamma Onesta's.

The couple has six children between them, and all have worked in

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Pictured is Mamma Onesta's chicken Pompeii (\$17.95) paired with the Lockport restaurant's signature garlic rolls, made fresh daily with homemade bread.

The chicken Pompeii features boneless chicken breasts in an oil, garlic and white wine sauce, served on a bed of spaghetti and topped with spinach strips and melted mozzarella. DENNIS D. JACOBS/22ND CENTURY MEDIA

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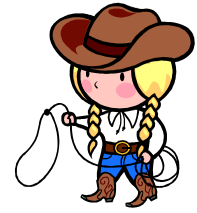
"I think it would be nice if the downtown area was a go-to place to eat," he said. "You look at Orland [Park]. They have 300 restaurants on LaGrange [Road]. I don't know the number, but it feels like 300. They're all pretty busy."

the restaurant at one time or another. At 51, Frank DeGrassi said he figures he has another 10 years to give to the business, and he hopes his children will take it over and continue the family tradition.

Noting that a new restaurant may open in the nearby Volz Building — former site of Dreams Restaurant — Frank DeGrassi said he would like to see more quality res-



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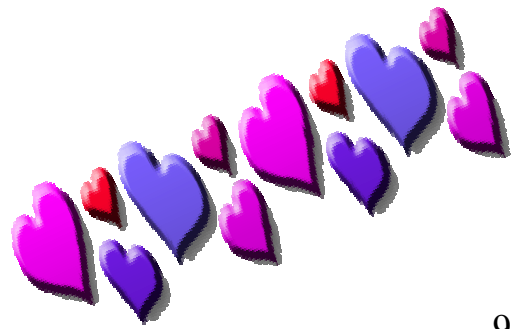
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Minutes of Oct 2014 Meeting

October 14, 7:30 p. m. at Gatto's

People present: Sue, Gail, Ron, Diane, Bunny, Sue, Evelyn, Sandy, Nancy, Gerry and Denise.

Secretary's report was read by Bunny motion to accept minutes 1st Evelyn and 2nd by Nancy.

Treasures report: Regular account \$1123.60 and Show account \$20,330.85.

Accepted by Gail, Seconded by Denise.

Class A

Two Checks bounced. We only gained \$570 in Sponsorships. Sue Collins suggested that to help with sponsorship to ask trainers if they want better stall to give a sponsorship. Sue also stated that we need to post option classes sooner and add Junior Horse classes to the option list. Announcer this year was \$600 less then last year. Tony Ried received 5 free stalls for doing Prize List.

Arab Inc. Will now have Western at regionals.

Other News

Bob Battaglia asked to have a show in Louisville KY on our dates in 2015. Bunny Horner called him while present at the meeting. She stated that we do not approve of him having this show.

Open Show

Refund from hotel for \$175. We decided to leave our deposit at Francis Field until next year. Gail and Evelyn will check out the cost of Crown Point and Valpo. Diane made a suggestion to have the date saved for June 21 of 2015, Gail will have us penciled in.

Slate of officers will be pasted out.

Website: The website was dicussed. We have had some issues with them getting stuff on our website. Gail will talk to him and then if things don't change we will try someone else.

The next meeting will be at Little Joe's in Frankfort at 7pm on November 11, 2014. The Christmas Party will be at Sandy Laroche on December 14 at 1 pm contact Diane if plan on going.

Motion to adjourn 1st Nancy and seconded by Sue Huml-Kyle



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