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2011 Scholarship Awardees

Margaret Bailey-Miller's 20-year history with Morgans is closely intertwined with the history of Kennebec Morgan Farm, where she learned to ride and worked as a trainer. Her partnership with Kennebec Ladyhawke began there, and their path together has included carriage driving, eventing, and open shows in addition to dressage. It is clear from Margaret's description of Ladyhawke on her scholarship application that theirs is a close and special bond. Margaret and Ladyhawke have an impressive show record, including MDA Awards of Excellence at First, Second, Third, and Third/Fourth Level freestyle. She has won USDF Regional and Adequan©/USDF All-Breed Championships at Third Level in both Adult Amateur and Freestyle categories, and have been AMHA Open Competition Champions at both Second and Third Levels. She is involved with dressage as a show manager, coach, intercollegiate competitor, and L-judge program participant. Her plans are to use her scholarship money to study with Gerrit Claes Biernbroodspot, former head instructor of the National Dutch School for Instructors and former trainer and coach of the Dutch Junior/Young Rider Event Team.



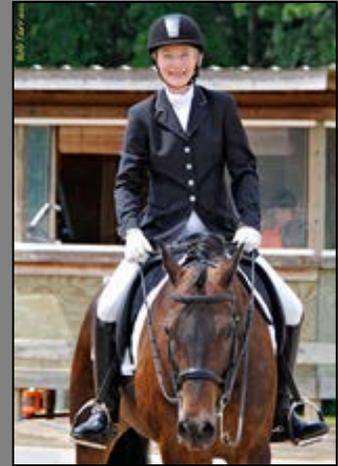
Margaret Bailey-Miller and Kennebec Ladyhawke



*Spencer Prouty and
Black Velvet Cassandra*

Spencer Prouty is a young man of fourteen, who has been riding his family's Morgans at Faith Ranch Morgans since he was three years old. His current mount is Black Velvet Cassandra, and he also rides FRM Amazing Grace. Spencer started his riding career in Western tack, and showed in training shows, then switched to dressage. He enjoys trail riding, and has trained his horses himself, relying on lessons and practice for guidance. He is a D3 Pony Clubber, and events on his Morgans. He is schooling Cassie at First Level and showing at Training Level, as well as bringing along other young horses. His plans include taking more lessons with his MDA scholarship funds, and competing in at least two recognized shows. He wants to attend clinics with Olympian Zakir Abdoukadyrov. It is impressive to note that Spencer's goals are focused more on improving his horse's suppleness and responsiveness than on success in the show ring.

Birgit Villeminey, a native of Germany, has a 20-year history with Morgans, and is currently showing Sunup Nightshade at Third Level, and schooling Fourth Level, while bringing three-year-old FRM Flower of Remington along as his dressage journey is just beginning. Birgit is focused on promoting Morgans in the sport horse world. She writes of her dressage experiences with Morgans for the AMHA's promotional literature and for the USDF Connections magazine, as well as writes the blog <http://MorganUpTheLevels.blogspot.com>. Her competition record includes USDF All Breeds Awards Vintage Cup, a Season Series Adult Amateur Championship, a USDF Bronze Medal, AMHA Bronze Medallion, the German Bronzenes Reitabzeichen (Bronze Medal) and placings in the AMHA Open Competition and Midwest Dressage Association Year End Awards, among many others. Birgit trains with Grand Prix rider and trainer Sandy Tull, and plans to spend her MDA Scholarship funds training with USDF President George Williams in Ohio.



Birgit Villeminey and Sunup Nightshade