

### Meet Your Region 5 Director:

#### Darwin A. Olson

Darwin Olson and his wife, Barbara, live at Martinique Farm in Byron, Minnesota. They have been raising and showing Morgans for 17 years. At the present time, they own five Morgans.

Darwin believes that Morgan ownership promotes sportsmanship and responsibility. He views the versatile Morgan as America's family, sport, show and working horse.

Professionally, Darwin is president of the C.O. Brown Insurance Agency in Rochester, Minnesota, and a member of both the Minnesota Association of Insurance Agencies and the National Association of Insurance Agents.

Elected to the AMHA Board of Directors in 1983, Darwin has served as president, treasurer and vice-president of the Finance Committee. Presently, he is chairman of the Registry and Personnel Committees, and a member of the By-Laws, Executive and Finance Committees. He is past president of the North Central Morgan Horse Association.

#### AMHA Professional Horseman's Committee

The purpose of the AMHA Professional Horseman's Committee is to facilitate communications between the Morgan professional community, the AMHA office and the AMHA membership.

The duties of the committee are to report to the AMHA Board of Directors on no less than a quarterly basis the activities and needs of the Morgan professional community. It is also their duty

to provide advice and expertise on matters concerning the Morgan professional community.

The Committee is composed of AMHA member Morgan professionals of a good geographical distribution who represent diverse interests within the Morgan breed.

The responsibilities of the AMHA Professional Horseman's Committee are to recommend and facilitate activities and projects which enhance the professional profile within the Morgan world specifically and within the equine industry in general. They also provide in-house staff with information as needed on matters pertaining to the Morgan professional community.

#### AMHA Register Committee

The purpose of the AMHA Register Committee is to maintain and insure the integrity of the American Morgan Horse Register records.

The duties of the Committee are as follows:

1. To the Board of Directors:

a. To continually review the Rules & Regulations of the American Morgan Horse Register and to make recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding revision of and/or addition to these Rules & Regulations when appropriate.

b. To review for the Board at intervals certain pertinent functions of the AMHR and to review the importance of Board members not becoming personally involved in any register matter so as not to place any unnecessary burden or limitation upon the hearing and appeals procedure of the Association.

c. Annually to recommend to the Board how the income from the Register Trust Fund is to be utilized.

2. To the Executive Director:

a. To act as a consultant to the Executive Director whenever any question should arise in determining how the Rules & Regulations adopted by the Board of Directors are to be applied in any given instance. Whenever any such matter is brought before the Committee for its opinion on application of the Rules & Regulations, it must be done in a manner so as to preserve the anonymity of the individual persons and animals involved.

b. To assist the Executive Director. This committee must work more closely with the Executive Director than any other AMHA committee. Their mutual effort is to (1) utilize current scientific and administrative concepts and techniques to insure all registrations and transfers are carried out according to the Rules & Regulations of the AMHR, (2) verify that the Rules & Regulations are applied to all individuals in an indiscriminate manner and (3) to review the administrative methods used to carry out these transactions.

The Committee consists of five Board members appointed annually at the Reorganizational Meeting of the new Board following the Annual Meeting of Members.

The Register Committee functions under the authority granted by the following action of the Board of Directors on October 18, 1978, "The Register Committee be delegated the authority of the full Board of Directors in dealing with Register matter, and that this power be continued until modified by a future board."