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Certified Horsemanship Association Welcomes Tara Gamble as New President

(November 2008) – Tara Gamble of Edmonton, Alberta is the new President of the Certified Horsemanship Association (CHA). Tara has over seventeen years of industry teaching experience instructing Western, English and jumping lessons. She is a CHA Master Clinic Instructor and was awarded Clinic Instructor of the Year in 2006, and is a certified Site Visitor and Site Visitor Trainer, which is used for the accreditation of equestrian facilities. Tara was recently designated a professional horseman with the American Quarter Horse Association (AQHA).

“Thank you for welcoming me into the role of President of CHA,” says Tara. “I am truly honored to be a part of this organization, as it is continually striving towards the promotion of safety and excellence in horsemanship instruction and practices. I am excited to have the opportunity to working alongside some of the best horsemen and women within the industry!”

Her education includes a Bachelor of Science degree in agriculture with an animal science major from the University of Alberta. She has been a contributing author to the CHA international publication, *The Instructor* and to *Horses All*. Currently, she wishes to pursue freelance writing, working towards publication in many magazines.

Tara judges various horsemanship competitions, presents seminars and recreational clinics in addition to CHA sanctioned clinics, and offers weekly riding lessons at TamRac Ranch. Her background is varied in Western and English, and she has been fortunate enough to represent Canada as First Runner-Up Miss Rodeo Canada 1998. She mentored under Fred Duke, and taught lessons at Duke Ranches Ltd. for ten years. Currently she sits on the Miss Rodeo Canada Committee and is still active in drill riding for sponsor flag carry for the Leduc Black Gold professional rodeo.

Past experience has included trail guiding in northern Alberta, working at a small animal veterinarian office, and working as a medical receptionist for a pediatrician and a general practitioner. Currently, Tara is the corporate account sales manager for the Wingate by Wyndham hotel in Edmonton.

The purpose of CHA is to promote excellence in safety and education for the benefit of the entire horse industry. CHA certifies instructors and trail guides, accredits equestrian facilities and provides support and educational resources. For more information on the Certified Horsemanship Association, please visit www.CHAinstructors.com or www.CHA-ahse.org or call toll free 1-800-399-0138.

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