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Certified Horsemanship Association Welcomes Brent Morgan from Montevallo, Alabama as New President

(November 2010) – Brent Morgan, a riding instructor from Montevallo, Alabama, has become the president of the Certified Horsemanship Association (CHA), a non-profit association that promotes excellence in safety and education for the benefit of the entire horse industry. Brent teaches both Western and Hunt Seat disciplines seven days a week at his year-round riding program at Magnolia Oaks Farm, his farm in Montevallo, Alabama. He has been a CHA certified riding instructor since 2001 and is a lifetime member of CHA. He is a member of the American Quarter Horse Association of Professional Horsemen, a lifetime member of AQHA, on the board of directors for the Alabama Quarter Horse Association, a lifetime member of the Palomino Horse Breeders of America, and a county representative for the Alabama Horse Council. He's currently working on the committee sponsoring the 2011 Southeastern Trails Conference. He also has 25 years experience in the Information Technology and telecommunications industry and also maintains horse-related websites. Brent's show background is rooted in all-around competition showing in Halter, Hunt Seat, Western, Trail, Reining, and Speed Events.

Brent also has been show manager at numerous AQHA and PHBA shows, ring steward, paddock master, announcer, and occasional open show judge. "I've had every job at a horse show that there is, except working the concession stand, but I have cooked steaks for 100 exhibitors," says Brent.

"CHA's mission of safety and education to the entire horse industry retains its relevance after 40+ years of existence," says Brent. "I became involved with CHA when I began teaching in order to substantiate to myself that I had adequate teaching skills. I began

attending CHA International Conferences in order to seek out examples of the best teaching techniques and instructors in the industry. Multi-discipline interest in CHA continues to grow, CHA is positioned to provide even greater benefit to the horse professional and instructors across the spectrum. I am looking forward to my term as President!"

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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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