

Greetings, my fellow AMHA members!

I am honored to announce my candidacy for the role of **Vice President** on the Executive Committee of the American Miniature Horse Association. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving AMHA in my time as Secretary, but it is time to shift my focus to leading our committees as Vice President.

I have been fortunate enough to sit and serve on committees with ASPC/AMHR and now AMHA. I have spent the better part of 25+ years showing small equine, both with my family (who got me started) and on my own. Branching out across all divisions, and more recently focusing on developing a boutique breeding program.

In those 25 years, I have seen the highest of highs and the lowest of lows that have affected the small equine industry. Now so, more than ever, I feel that it is vital to keep the amateur and youth involved. Honing our focus on membership development and how to actively engage new audiences. As our world changes around us, we too, must adapt. With the changes to come...we ensure we have leadership in positions that are prepared to lead, support our membership, uphold our rules, and most importantly, care about the future of AMHA. I stand by my statement of "Change is good, if it's the right type of change"!

Outside of our miniature horse industry, I work in the events and hospitality industry, which I've dedicated a better part of my adult life to. Developing business skills, networking experience, and detail-oriented event execution. During the pandemic, while I was furloughed from hospitality, I spent a brief time assisting on Non-Profit Boards, managing their budgets, and assisting with their own membership-related issues. A big responsibility of my day-to-day professional life is effective communication. Compelling communication is vital for our membership, especially from the committee level as this is where our rule change proposals come from.

I'm extremely excited for this opportunity. I can't wait to share my ideas with the membership, and I look forward to speaking with everyone on how I can best represent you and your voices on a higher level. Please feel free to reach out to me. I'm happy to discuss my background further and share in the joys of our small equine with you!

With Care,

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2025 Executive Committee Secretary

2026 Executive Committee Candidate for Vice President

My name is **Clair Severson**

I am running for the office of **Treasurer** of The American Miniature Horse Association.

I have been a Member of AMHA for over 30 years and have served on the Board of Directors for over 16 years. I presently hold the position of Region 7 Director and have previously served on the Executive Committee in the roles of Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. I have also served on the Amateur, Gelding Incentive, Show Rules, Long Range Planning, and Finance Committees. As an AMHA-approved show steward, I have worked at the AMHA World Show as the Lead Steward and Measurer, along with working on the measuring staff.

My past positions with the local Minnesota Miniature Horse club include 9 years as President and 11 years as Treasurer. I've also served as the Chairperson for the Show Committee for 15 years. During this time, we have put on AMHA shows along with other shows and clinics.

I have over 43 years of experience in the Transportation Industry, primarily in the Financial, Safety, Project Management, and Operations areas. I held the Director of Transportation position for a Food Waste Recycling Company, overseeing 10 plants across the United States, before my retirement. This included overseeing all aspects of Budgeting, Safety, Human Resources, Accident Investigation, and capital equipment purchases for both plants and transportation operations. I am running for this office as I feel very strongly that we, as an Association, have started to move forward in a very positive way. We need to continue this to supply our members with a product that better satisfies their needs.

This needs to start with a Board of Directors working together with the members to build programs that expand what we can offer to our members. If this is done, we will move forward and come out with a better association that all members can be AMHA PROUD to be a part of.

I would appreciate your vote.

Thank You,

Clair Severson

Region 7 Director

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Dear AMHA Members,

I am honored to announce my candidacy for the position of **Treasurer** of the American Miniature Horse Association.

The AMHA has always represented more than an organization to me—it embodies a community of people dedicated to preserving, promoting, and celebrating the unique qualities of the miniature horse. As a long-time member, I have witnessed firsthand how financial transparency, accountability, and thoughtful stewardship are essential to maintaining the strength and integrity of our Association.

My professional background in business management has provided me with the skills necessary to manage budgets, oversee fiscal policies, and ensure compliance with financial best practices. I am committed to applying these skills with the utmost integrity and responsibility. My goal as Treasurer will be to safeguard the financial health of the AMHA while ensuring resources are used efficiently to support our mission, our members, and the future growth of our breed.

If elected, I pledge to:

- Maintain clear and transparent financial reporting to the Board and membership.
- Ensure prudent management of AMHA funds and reserves.
- Collaborate with leadership to support programs that benefit members and promote the miniature horse.
- Uphold the highest standards of ethics and accountability.

I believe that with strong financial leadership, our Association can continue to thrive and expand opportunities for our members while securing a bright future for the American Miniature Horse.

I would be deeply grateful for your support and your vote for Treasurer. Together, we can continue to strengthen the AMHA and preserve the legacy of the miniature horse for generations to come.

Thank you for your trust and consideration.

Sincerely,

Donna Lavery