



Afterword: Beth Baumert Symposia and Clinics, May 5-8, 2017.

The four days of dressage symposia and clinics with Beth Baumert are over but hardly forgotten. According to feedback sent to *The Dressage Foundation* by participants and auditors, and personal kudos to the organizers, the clinics were hugely successful. Many are looking forward to more sessions with Beth.

Thanks go out to all who supported the presentation of these clinics. Financial support came from *The Dressage Foundation* through a Violet Hopkins grant for educational activities and by New Mexico's two GMOs, the *New Mexico Dressage Association* and the *Santa Fe Dressage Association*.

Both venues, *Cherry Tree Farm* in Albuquerque's south valley and *Hipico Santa Fe*, did a tremendous job of hosting the events. Thanks to the Collinsees of Cherry Tree Farm and Jimmy Campbell, liaison to the Hipico leadership, for their support.

Many individuals pitched in to help in a variety of ways. In Santa Fe, Heather Brady, even while in Wellington for the season, provided names of contacts, helped with arrangements, and chauffeured and lodged Beth in Santa Fe.

Pim Koenig did transport duty as she met Beth at the Albuquerque Sunport and drove her to her Santa Fe accommodations. Heather Brady and Joanne and Mark Kagan chauffeured Beth to and from the Hipico venue.

Mark Kagan generously and good-naturedly stepped in to tweak the public address system as needed.

Virginia Henry of Keller-Williams Realty donated her time and efforts to make and serve sandwiches for lunch on the first day at Hipico. The popularity of this lunch was second only to Beth's herself.

Julie Wilson and Nance McManus acted as concierges on the first day at Hipico Santa Fe. Nance also came out the day before to help set up the indoor arena with dressage court and seating. Couldn't have done it without Nance and her smart phone!

At Cherry Tree Farm, John and D.J. were on top of set-ups, great stabling, and arena grooming. Valerie Simpson outdid the local bakers with her wonderful dessert selections. Kari Kitterman came all the way from Datil to help with the luncheon.

Thank you to Virginia O'Keeffe of Ghost Horse Equine Imaging for great photographs and generously giving us photos for publication.

Thanks to *The Village Mercantile Farm and Home Store* of Corrales NM for a financial sponsorship which allowed us to have complimentary food service for all who attended the clinics. This "food on site" gave our participants the opportunity to attend all of Beth's lectures, ask questions, and stay together for discussions.

And finally, thanks to *Dion's Pizza and Subs* for their wonderful and plentiful food and prompt and accurate delivery services. Another slice, anyone?

See you at the next clinic!

Kathleen Martin,
Organizer of the 2017 Beth Baumert symposia and clinics



Wendy Wilkins on Ferrollo CAS listens as Beth gives advice.



Beth directs Kathy Mueller on Sherroll Maratta's Little Bit.

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