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## **Southwest Reining Horse Association Creates Carla Clay Award To Begin in 2015**

The Southwest Reining Horse Association has announced the creation of the Carla Clay Award, beginning at the SWRHA Futurity October 20-25.

The Award to the High Point Youth has been begun in honor of former SWRHA Board member Carla Clay, who passed away March 14, 2013 from complications from pneumonia. She has been missed by her SWRHA family the award has been created in her honor and memory.

Carla, born December 14, 1954, was the daughter of Cecil "Bud" and Nancy Clay of Volin, South Dakota. She attended Beresford High School and graduated Magna Cum Laude from Sioux Falls College. Carl's life's devotion was working with horses and she trained and showed reining horses throughout the U.S.

Carla's honesty and dedication was evident to all who knew her and she helped many people find the way to understand and enjoy their horses and was especially supportive of youth riders. Fittingly, the award created in her honor is one for youth. The high point youth of the SWRHA Futurity Show will receive a special buckle and plaque.

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