

## June GCC President's Message

Early Summer is in full-swing and with it comes many activities for horse folks. GCC's June show will be held at Mike and Sandy Thompson's Wind Valley Farm in Chelsea. We are offering a full slate of classes with two, count 'em, two judges, so each exhibitor will receive two sets of scores for year-end purposes! It's like a "two for one" sale! Woo hoo! Keep your fingers crossed that the weather is cooperative so we don't have any more rain-outs!

Our poor ill-fated "summer educational event" has again fallen on hard times. This concept has had a tough time getting off the ground because of scheduling problems from the get-go. The current glitch is that its date, August 2, falls during the same weekend of the new dates for the Lazy E Classic, which are August 2 and 3. Two of the three trainers originally planning to participate in our little event will not be able to due to this date change, in addition to probably many members who might otherwise attend. Because of these stumbling blocks,, we are currently tabling this event with the hope that we can again re-schedule it for some future date.

Patty and Larry Couch's Rocking C Stables in Inola will host two additional dressage schooling shows. Tentative dates for these shows are July 13, which is the day following the GCC fun show (also at Rocking C), and August 16. Mark your calendar and watch the GCC website for more information about these shows.

Speaking of the GCC Fun Show (Saturday, July 12), have you checked out the prize list on the GCC website? This is a new idea for GCC and we hope it will be well-received. Instead of the standard tests offered at the regular schooling shows, we are experimenting with some "fun", diversionary things that members have suggested to lighten things up a little. For instance, we are offering "dressage trail", leadline, COSTUME (even for adults! Wow!), and the wild and crazy "cowboy dressage" (yes, we are going to give it a try!). We really want everyone to come out and have fun at this one. Yes, it will be warm out by then, but the arena is covered and the pace will be relaxed and easy. Plan on coming; we promise you'll have GREAT TIME!

'Hope to see you soon!

Liz