

*PHBA offers these Golden Benefits  
for You and your Palomino Horse:*

- PHBA provides a permanent registry for Palomino Horses, established for over 60 years with over 80,000 horses and over 90,000 memberships recorded.
- PHBA maintains computerized records of registrations, transfers of ownership, and the halter, performance and race records of Palomino horses.
- PHBA publications include Palomino Horses Magazine, The PHBA Rule Book, and an informative PHBA website at [www.palominohba.com](http://www.palominohba.com).
- Nearly 600 Palomino Horse Shows are approved annually by PHBA.
- Annual PHBA World Championship Horse Show and Youth World Championship Horse Show in Tulsa, OK which attract thousands of entries from the all areas of the United States, Canada, and from other countries.
- PHBA offers national-level awards including ROMs, Superiors, Championships, Supreme Championships, Honor Roll (Year-End National High Point), and more.
- PHBA Incentive Program rewards owners of nominated stallions and their nominated PHBA-registered foals for PHBA points earned in Open and/or Amateur Horse Shows.
- PHBA "Golden Trails" Horseback Riding Program recognizes the hours participating members spend riding or driving PHBA-registered Palomino horses.
- PHBA -A Amateur and PHBA-Y Youth Associations offer horse show classes and other events for Amateur and Youth members, including active Novice Amateur, Select Amateur (age 50 & over) and Novice Youth Programs.
- Over 35 PHBA Affiliate Palomino Associations currently serve members on the state and regional level.



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*PHBA AFFILIATE PALOMINO ASSOCIATIONS*

PHBA has a network of over thirty-five Affiliate Palomino Associations (APA). These APAs link the member to the PHBA on a state or regional level. APAs host horse shows, fund raising projects, clinics, futurities, and family activities.

Your local  
PHBA Affiliate Palomino Association is:

*The Golden Palomino Horse  
and PHBA*



*The modern day Palomino Horse has a legacy to follow and a promise to fulfill. This golden horse, who was the choice of ancient emperors, kings and queens, the beloved steed in Greek mythology, the subject of artists' canvas, the pride of Queen Isabella's Spanish court, the treasured mount of ancient tribes and companion of the Conquistadors, is still with us today. He was tamed by the Indians of the Southwest, rediscovered by today's horse lover, made a star on the "Silver Screen" and exhibited at horse shows throughout the world. Palomino horses are found among the finest bloodlines of breeds; their appeal is international.*

PHBA is a color registry for horses standing between fourteen and seventeen hands tall and exhibiting body color, with variations from light to dark, of a U S fourteen karat gold coin. The skin is usually grey, black, brown, or motley without underlying pink skin or spots except on the face or legs. The eyes are usually black, hazel, or brown. The mane and tail must be white with not more than fifteen percent dark, sorrel or chestnut hairs.

Many horse people are recognizing the benefits of having their horse “double registered”, making the opportunities for marketing, participating, and return on your investment twofold. The PHBA registry accepts Palominos that are also registered with the American Quarter Horse Association, American Morgan Horse Association, American Saddlebred Horse Association, Arabian Horse Association, Jockey Club, Tennessee Walking Horse Breeders and Exhibitors Association, Rocky Mountain Horse Association, Mountain Pleasure Horse Association, Missouri Fox Trotting Horse Breed Association, International Morab Registry, American Holsteiner Horse Association, and the United Quarab Registry. In addition, solid-colored Palominos registered with the American Paint Horse Association, the Appaloosa Horse Club, and the Pinto Horse Association of America may apply. Palomino Horses not registered with the above recognized breed registries are eligible for registration with PHBA if one of the parents is registered with the recognized breed registries and the other parent is registered with PHBA. Geldings and spayed mares with unknown parentage may also apply based on color and conformation standards.

#### *HISTORY OF PHBA*

The Palomino Horse Breeders of America (PHBA) was organized “for the purpose of providing for the registration, preservation of purity of blood, and improvement in breeding of Palomino horses; and to keep, maintain, and publish in a suitable form the history, record and pedigree thereof.” PHBA was originally formed in California around the late 1930s, by a group of horsemen and horsewomen who had a passion for the golden horse. PHBA was incorporated in Los Angeles County, California, on June 25, 1941, as a member-owned, non-profit organization. In 1946, PHBA moved to Mineral Wells, TX. The international headquarters was located there until 1984. PHBA’s home is now near the heavily traveled Interstate 44 in a 7,000 square-foot building on the northeast side of Tulsa, Oklahoma.

#### *SHOWING YOUR PALOMINO*

Many Palomino horse owners have discovered that competition in PHBA horse shows opens additional avenues for learning, developing their skills, showmanship, and marketing. PHBA, above all else, is an organization where you can make new friends and share ideas with others about the beautiful golden horse. PHBA provides recreational, competitive and financial rewards for every age group and vocation. Classes from halter to jumping, horsemanship to driving, trail to cutting, saddle seat to pole bending, reining to barrel racing are a sample of the wide variety of competition. PHBA has established a system for acknowledgment and awarding honors to its true champions and outstanding riders; including Honor Roll Awards (Year-End National High Point), World Championship Horse Show honors, and awards based on an accumulation of lifetime points such as Register of Merit, Superior, PHBA Champion and the PHBA Supreme Champion.

#### *PHBA WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP HORSE SHOWS*

The PHBA World Championship Horse Show annually awards over \$300,000 in cash and prizes. Equine athletes from all over the United States and Canada compete in a variety of tests of speed, agility, obedience, manners, way of going, style, responsiveness, disposition, finesse, purity of color and conformation each July. The PHBA Youth Palomino World Championship Horse Show is the annual showcase held for the youth members of PHBA-Y who come from all over the United States to compete for individual and team awards.

#### *PHBA-A AMATEUR PROGRAM*

Recognizing that the open competition may be too highly specialized and too professional, PHBA established the Amateur program in 1982. PHBA now offers a wide range of Amateur classes and recognition at the national level. Today, the amateur program is PHBA’s fastest growing segment of members attracting a wide variety of backgrounds. This program has offered access to competition with exhibitors of matched skill levels while building confidence and experience and having fun. In 2002 PHBA expanded the Amateur Program to include special classes for competitors who are 50 years of age and older. This new division is called Amateur Select.

#### *PHBA-Y YOUTH ACTIVITIES*

PHBA has traditionally been a family oriented organization, and continues to promote family unity and partici-



Palomino Horse Breeders of America Youth Association (PHBA-Y). Enthusiastic young people and the versatile Palomino horse can compete against individuals with the same competence and experience. The Palomino horse is an excellent tool from which a young person can learn sportsmanship, discipline, and responsibility for a dependent. The possibilities are endless! In addition to PHBA-Y’s activities, PHBA operates a permanent Scholarship Fund to help deserving young people to continue their education.

#### *NOVICE EVENTS*

Special classes are offered for Novice Amateurs and Novice Youth who have not yet earned a total of fifty or more lifetime performance points in PHBA or any other Association’s open, amateur or youth divisions combined. Halter and color points are not used in calculating Novice amateur status.

#### *PHBA INCENTIVE PROGRAM*

The new PIP is an investment and incentive program offered by PHBA for all stallion owners and owners of their Palomino foals registered with PHBA. PIP monies will be paid for each point earned by nominated horses at PHBA approved events in the Open and/or Amateur divisions.

#### *“GOLDEN TRAILS” HORSEBACK RIDING PROGRAM*

The Golden Trails program recognizes and rewards participating PHBA members for the hours they log riding or driving their PHBA-registered Palominos, whether it be in the backyard, on the trails, training for shows, parades, or ranch work.