

  
**THE WHEELER FAMILY**  
**HALL OF FAME**

*In Recognition of their extraordinary efforts, commitment and dedication to excellence in  
Horse Showing and the Pennsylvania National Horse Show.*

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## **SALLIE BUSCH WHEELER AND KENNETH WHEELER, SR.**

The Pennsylvania National Horse Show is honored to induct Sallie Busch Wheeler and Kenneth M. Wheeler Sr. into the Pennsylvania National Hall of Fame for 2022. The iconic power couple have set winning records across multiple disciplines as riders, trainers, owners, breeders, handlers, and drivers.

The equestrian couple, who married in 1965, grew their Cismont Manor Farm in Keswick, Virginia, into a stable of champions which included Saddlebreds, hunters, and driving horses. Some of their famous hunters were Isgilde, Ruxton, Gozzi, Henry The Hawk, Fun And Games, Call You Raise You, Showdown, Celebrity, Wall Street Week, Superflash, Weather Permitting, Cavalier Bid, So No Wonder, Missouri, The Wizard, Just For Fun, Stocking Stuffer, and Awesome.

Mrs. Wheeler led the way in the Saddlebreds and Hackneys with numerous World Championships in multiple divisions with horses such as Sultan's Commander, High Spirit, Tijuana Starlet, Flamethrower, Gotta Lotta Pzazz, Mark Of Success, Brass Lass, Heartland Classic, One For The Road, La Louisianne, Radiant Success, A Daydream, and more.

The Wheelers trained over 115 national champions and 250 state champions including;

- 9 Grand Championships at the National Horse Show
- 16 Championships and 4 Grand Championships at the Pennsylvania National
- 12 Hunter Grand Championships at Devon
- Best Young Horse at Devon for 34 years in a row, 37 total times
- 5 AHSA Hackney Pony of the Year Awards
- 9 World Championships and 4 World Grand Championships with Apollo Sand
- World Grand Champion Fine Harness Horse with A Sweet Treat and Radiant Success for an unprecedented 3 consecutive years.

More of the Wheeler's awards include:

- St. Louis National Charity Horse Show Hall of Fame (Sallie)
- 1976 - AHSA Horseman of the Year (Kenneth)
- 1981 - American Horse Show Association (AHSA) Perpetual Sportsmanship Award (Sallie)
- 1987 - AHSA Horsewoman of the Year and AHSA Horseman of the Year
- 1992 - United Professional Horseman's Association (UPHA) Distinguished Service Award (Sallie)
- 1997 - World's Champion Horse Show Hall of Fame (Sallie)
- 1993 - VHSA Hall of Fame (both)
- 1999 - AHSA Lifetime Achievement Award (both)
- 2000 - Washington International Horse Show Hall of Fame (both)

While Sallie Busch Wheeler passed away in 2001 at the age of 70 and Kenneth Wheeler, Sr. in 2021 at the age of 92, their five children, Sallie M. Motch, Robert Motch, Kenneth M. Wheeler Jr., Gordon L. Wheeler, and Douglas B. Wheeler, twelve grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren, carry on the Wheeler tradition.

The horse world will forever honor the Wheelers for all they have accomplished and for the support and philanthropy they have so graciously given to the industry. We are proud to have these legends of the sport in the Pennsylvania National Horse Show Hall of Fame.

