

REMINDER

IT'S MEMBERSHIP TIME!!

In spite of fees going up all around us, we have held the line on membership dues for 2009. Where does my membership money go? A great question! An adult membership costs \$25. Based on 200 memberships, it costs roughly \$50. per member for general overhead, including; insurance, office costs, printing and signage, affiliation fees, web site/electronic fees and the Equine Journal subscription. Some membership and programming costs are made up in grant money we receive through AQHA/Bank of America, the remainder of the overage costs of your membership fees are made up by sponsors and the profit of our programming.

A few members have asked about additional fees for programming; as in the Intent to Show or Log Hour Program. Those fees go directly back to the awards for which they are assessed. The Intent to Show Fee served a dual purpose; one is to let the point keeper know who to look for when we receive the final show results from AQHA, and it goes toward the end of the year awards. The \$10. fee for a participant in the Recreation Log Hour Program, goes directly toward the awards that participants earn in that program.

We look forward to meeting new members and staying in touch with our renewing members. If you have any questions on membership or the fees associated with the additional programs, please contact Membership co-chair Joanne Ives at jives@nhqha.com.