

# David Boggs of Midwest Training Center,

## “The Arabian Horse and Our Growing Global Family.”

“There are two things that inspire and define success in my life: love of family and love for the Arabian horse.” David Boggs

Many people say, David's love for the Arabian horse goes beyond passion. For him, it is far more than just a way to earn a living - the Arabian horse is David's life. Like his relationship with his family, David's bond with horses is about devotion, appreciation, and an attitude of gratitude for all the many gifts the horses have given to him and his family over the past 40 years.

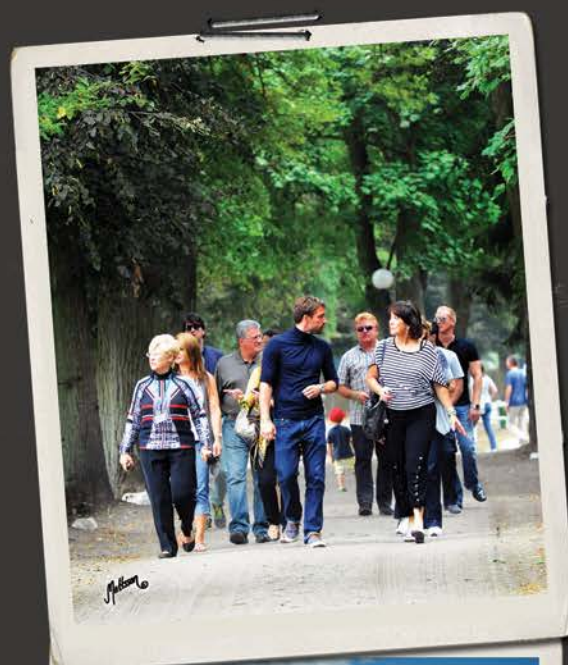
Life with family, and with the horses, brings changes. It is inevitable that over time we all experience the loss of loved ones. However, for every loss we endure, God gives us new blessings and new opportunities. Sometimes, when we least expect it, we get the biggest surprises; events unfold and an unseen hand seems to gently guide us to the next chapter in our life.

David Boggs grew up with his family's Arabian horses. As soon as he graduated from school, he opened the doors to the stables that would become home to Midwest Training Center. In 1979, he made his first trip out side the United States traveling to the Salon du Cheval where he presented the majestic white stallion Kaborr for his close friend, Mr. Tom Chauncey, to the title of World Champion Stallion.

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*David and Padron*







*Isabella Zawadzka*



*Janow Podlaski Director, Dr. Marek Trela*



*Pawel, Terry Anne and David with Pogrom*



*Michalow Director, Jerzy Bialobok with Janey Morse*





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David made new friends during his first trip to Paris including Isabella Zawadzka, the matriarch of Arabian horse breeding in Poland; Polish State Stud Directors Andrzej Krzysztalowicz of Janow Podlaski and Ignacy Jaworowski of Michalów Stud. David was infatuated with the breathtaking beauty of the Polish horses and astounded by the sheer genius of these brilliant, yet humble horsemen.

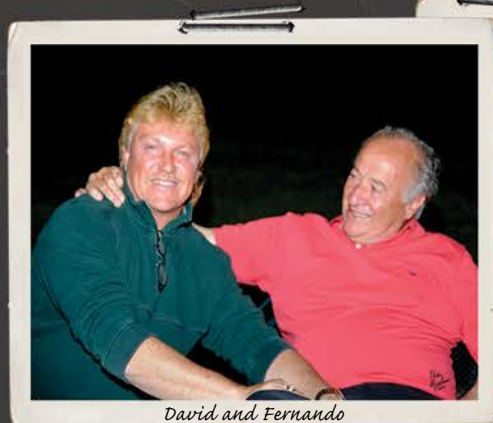
Over the years, David made many trips to Europe to visit breeders and their farms. He traveled to Poland with the American breeder, Mr. Wayne Anderson to see the stallion Pepton; to Russia where he embraced the iconic stallion Aswan, the grandsire of his equine soul mate - the great Padron. David travelled to Germany to met Professor Fritz Koenig and his famous stallion Nuri Schalan. At Silvia Garde-Ehlert's farm, David touched the exotic faces of Neshe and the legendary stallion Kilimandscharo. One of David's fondest memories was a pilgrimage to the humble stables of Mrs. Blaawhof, the breeder of Padron, where the very kind and



*Sharing a special moment...David with Padron*



*Friends at Scottsdale*



*David and Fernando*

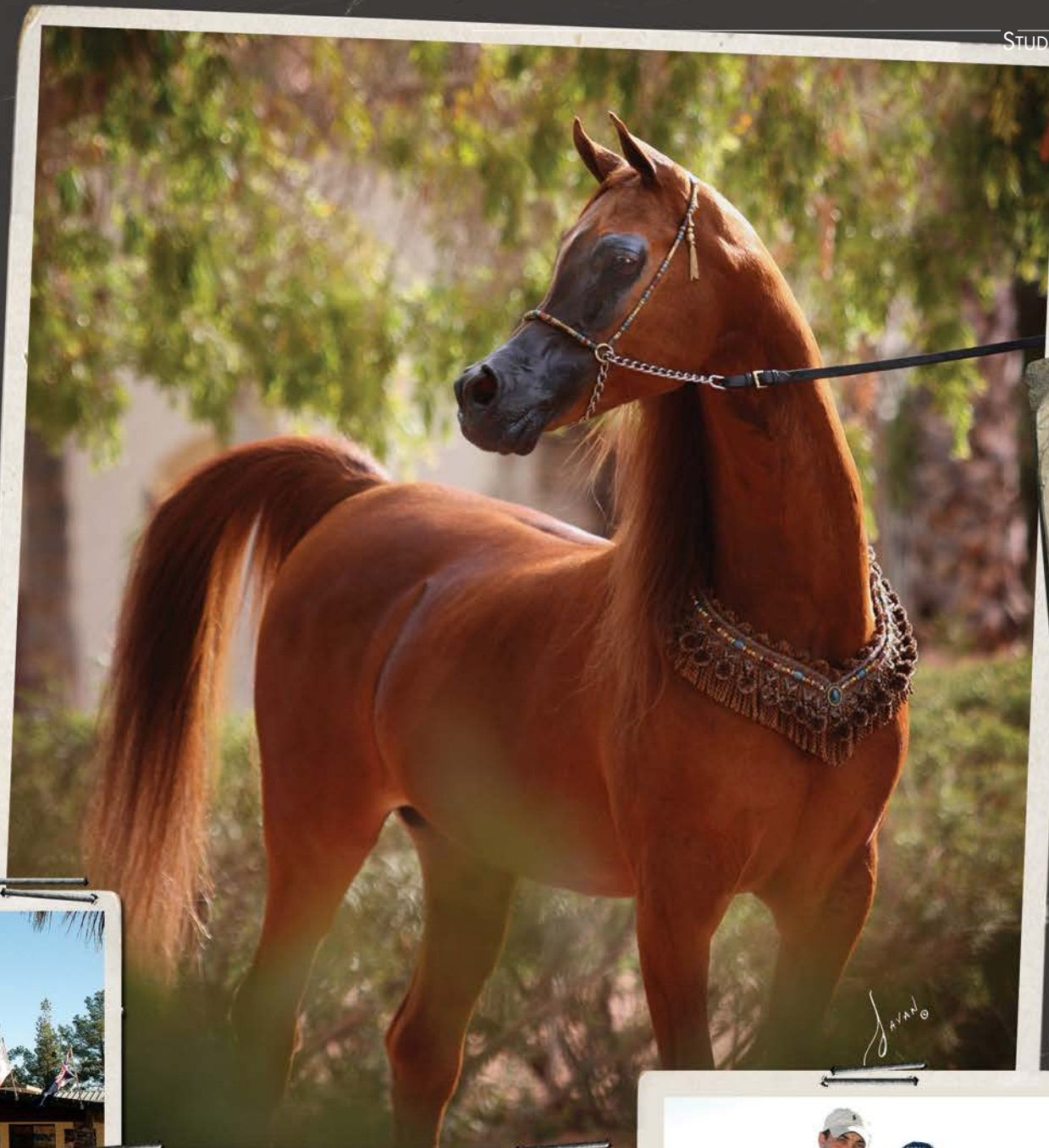


elderly lady took him to the exact stall where Padron was born. David cherishes these experiences. He has never forgotten all he learned from the wisdom these breeders shared with him.

Years later, David had the opportunity to establish new relationships with breeders in South America. David and Midwest deeply influenced the future of Arabian horse breeding there through his friendships with Lady Gina Pelham, Pole Levy, and Najib Audi. Many of the horses David marketed to breeders in Brazil and Argentina went on to be multi-national champions and champion producers, including the stallion he claims is the closest to perfection he has ever seen, Magnum Psyche, owned by his dear friends Fernando and Joaquin de Santibanes of Haras Mayed, Argentina.







*The judges from the Brazilian Nationals - a fantastic group of friends!*



*Aude, Lady Gina & David*





In 2011, David and a group of clients attended the Salon du Cheval. David saw an exquisite bay colt that totally mesmerized him. David knew nothing about the colt, his breeders, or his pedigree. Faith alone drew him to the young horse. After the class, David followed the colt back to the stalls. He instantly recognized the colt's breeder - it was Dr. Marek Trela, the Director of Janow Podlaski. David asked if the young colt, named Pogrom, was available for purchase - he was not. Then David inquired about a possible lease. Dr. Trela said they might consider a lease the following year, after the 2012 Polish Nationals. David waited patiently and never forgot the exotic bay colt. Soon after the Polish National show, David spoke to Director Trela and they agreed to a two-year lease. Soon after, David welcomed Pogrom (QR Marc x Petla) to Midwest and gave him a place of honor among the stellar stallions the farm represents. During

Pogrom's time in the United States, the plan was to show him and offer his services to breeders in America and around the world. Pogrom's North American debut was at the Scottsdale New Year Farm Tour where David hoped to sell as many as 40 breedings over the Scottsdale season. The response to Pogrom was overwhelming - far beyond what David had hoped for. Pogrom's obvious beauty and tremendous pedigree inspired many breeders. Pogrom quickly met and exceeded David's goal within the first two days.

Pogrom's American show ring debut came at the 2013 Scottsdale Horse Show - the largest Arabian horse show in the world. He won his class unanimously. He went on to win the Scottsdale Senior Stallion Championship, and the title of Scottsdale Supreme Halter Champion. Director Trela was there to witness Pogrom's soaring victory.







Two months later, Pogrom was presented at the Arabian Horse Breeders World Cup in Las Vegas, reunited with his friend and original handler, Pawel Kozikowski. Once again, Pogrom won his class for Four-Year-Old Stallions and he was ultimately named the Gold Champion Senior Stallion. Isabella Zawadska is a woman with an undaunted spirit. She travelled all the way from Poland, unaided, despite her physical challenges, to accept her AHBA Ambassador's Award for her outstanding contributions made to the Arabian horse breed. Isabella was there with tears in her lovely blue eyes to see Pogrom receive his honors. They both received a standing ovation!

In the midst of all the show ring success, Pogrom was creating more excitement as his first foals arrived – they are spectacular! Show ring success is about receiving public acclaim. Breeding is about giving something positive back to the breed and contributing to the future. There is no doubt that Pogrom is on his way to becoming one of the most important sires of his generation. Next on Pogrom's agenda, this October he will go to Tulsa, Oklahoma where he will compete for the title and honors of U.S. National Champion Stallion.



The strong bonds forged by David Boggs inspired a trip to the Polish Arabian Festival in August of this year. It was a first time visit for most of the group who made the trip. For David, it was a little like a reunion to see special people and places again after such a long absence. It was a trip of a lifetime for the Midwest clients, but for Janey Morse of Oak Ridge Arabians, owner of the superstar, multi-national champion stallion, Vitorio TO, it was even more.

Vitorio was used for the first time in Poland during the 2012 breeding season by means of frozen semen. He sired three foals at Michalów and one at Bialka. According to Michalów Director, Jerzy Bialobok, the Vitorio foals consistently showed upright, well set necks, large eyes, and an abundance of type. With this success - even from such a limited use - Director Bialobok thought about the possibility of bringing Vitorio to Poland.

Urzula Bialobok, former Michalów Breeding Manager and wife of Director Bialobok, was influential in the decision to bring Vitorio to Poland, "I was so pleased with the foals that were born this year by Vitorio. When I heard that Janey Morse and David Boggs were coming to the farm, I kept telling Jerzy, 'Ask them, ask them!' I wanted to see if we could bring Vitorio here. We already have so many stallions from Saklawi I sire line, it was exciting to have an outcross sire line. However, what really convinced me was there is little piece of Michalów blood in his pedigree from the mares Dagmara and Daszawa. I am a Polish patriot, so this made me love him even more!"

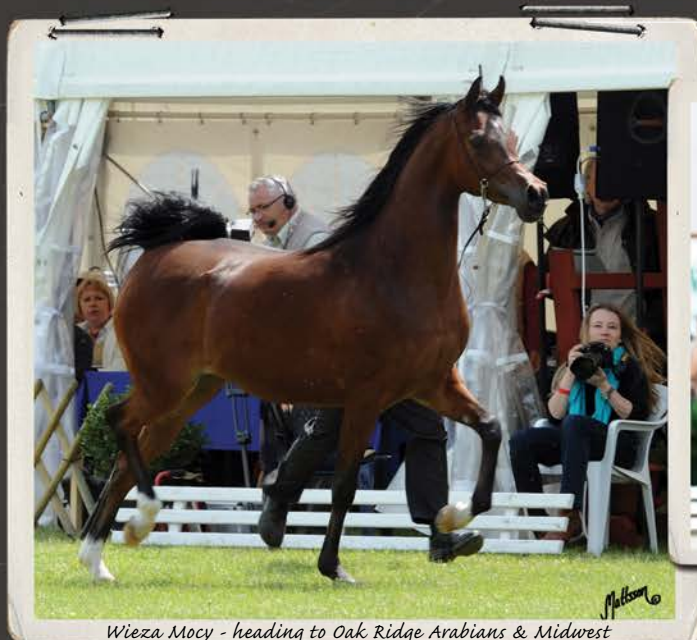
An agreement was made and it was decided Vitorio would stand at Michalów State Stud for the 2014 and 2015 breeding season. This marks the first time a U.S. stallion will stand at Michalów since the great sire Monogramm. It's a honor for Vitorio to stand at Michalów. It is also a great op-



*Vitorio TO - heading to Michalow State Stud!*







*Wieza Mocy - heading to Oak Ridge Arabians & Midwest*



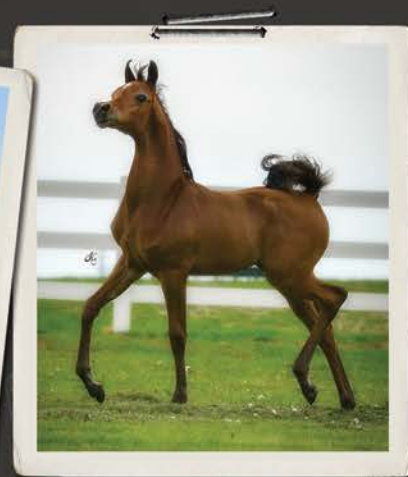
*Jerzy Bialobok & Janey Morse, Poland 2013*

portunity for Michałów to bring in an out-cross stallion for their treasured mares.

There was another exciting development for Janey Morse, Director Bialobok agreed to lease Janey one of their prized young mare. Wieza Mocy (QR Marc x Wieza Marzen) was the 2011 Polish National Junior Champion Filly with unanimous 20's for her outstanding movement. Wieza Mocy continued her success as a two-year-old at the Bialka Spring Show, where she won her class with a show high 44.50 points, earning six perfect 10's to win the title of Gold Champion Junior Mare, as well as Best Of Show. Later, at the 2012 European Championships, Wieza Mocy earned two scores of 20's for movement and yet another Gold Medal. A few months later, at the prestigious Sa-

lon du Cheval, Wieza Mocy added one additional title when she was named World Gold Champion Junior Mare.

Janey Morse and Midwest are very honored for Director Bialobok to entrust this living treasure into their care. Plans for Wieza Mocy include breeding and showing the mare. Scottsdale 2014 will be her American show ring debut. No doubt, she will shine like the bright star she is! Breeding decisions will be exciting. The question will be, which stallion will match and compliment Wieza Mocy's superb quality and aristocratic pedigree. Her tail female line includes one of the breed's most beloved mares, Wizja. There are several possible matches for Wieza Mocy among the champion stallions and leading sires standing at Midwest.





David Boggs has a unique perspective about the state of our industry today. "The Arabian Horse community is a tightly woven group that's drawn together by of our shared love of the Arabian horse. I believe we are successful because we focus on positive common interests, not our differences; and we keep an attitude of openness that defies any type of boundaries. Our goal is to bring people and beautiful Arabian horses together. Large international breeders benefit from the priceless contributions made by small breeders, and small breeders are able to benefit from marketing their foals to the global community. It's a win-win situation for us all."

In April of 2013, David attended the Arabian Horse Breeders World Cup in Las Vegas. Among the fantastic stallions competing was a long-time favorite - Baahir El Marwan (Marwan Al Shaqab x HB Bessolea). Baahir was in full bloom. There was no denying his extreme type and quality. The judges award Baahir the title of Breeders World Cup Silver Champion Senior Stallion, but not before David had made an offer to Baahir's owners, The Baahir Group, and purchased the stallion for his happy client, Mr. Bassam Al Saqran.

David and the staff are thrilled to welcome a stallion of Baahir El Marwan's stature and breeding potential to the Midwest roster of champions and leading sires. Plans for Baahir include a first appearance at the Arabian Celebration Show in Louisville,



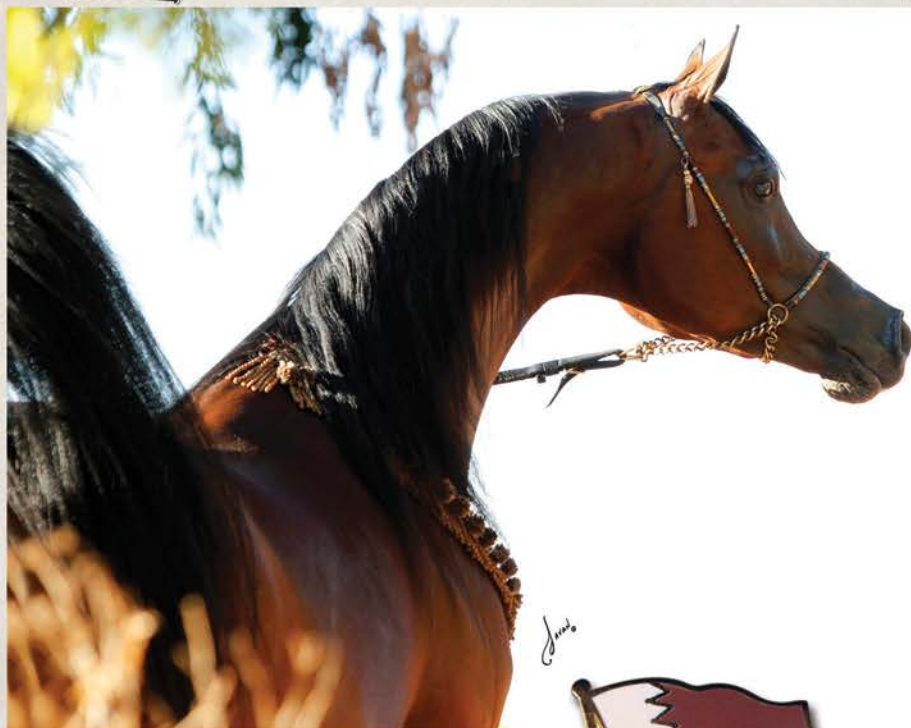
Kentucky this September. Then, Baahir will head to Scottsdale for the All Arabian Show and a busy breeding season in 2014.

Among the most noteworthy young stallions at Midwest is the international champion Faraa Al Shaqab (Marwan Al Shaqab x GW Natorious Star). Fernando and Joaquin de Santibanes of Haras Mayed in Argentina leased Faraa Al Shaqab from his breeder and owner, Al Shaqab Stud in Qatar, for their mares, including their Magnum Psyche daughters. The results were phenomenal! Faras Al Shaqab is a stallion that breeders everywhere around the world should learn about and consider for their mares.

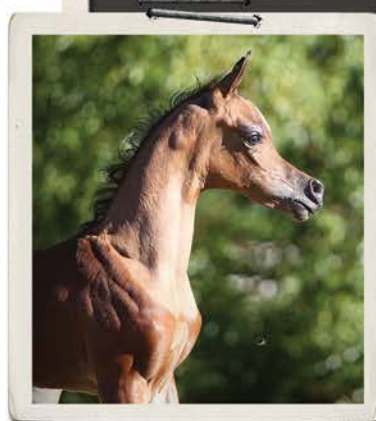
Perhaps one of the most brilliant stars ever to stand at Midwest is the amazing young stallion Hariry Al Shaqab (Marwan Al Shaqab x White Silkk). Hariry Al Shaqab was also bred by and is owned by Al Shaqab Stud. Hariry quickly earned international recognition for his extreme type and quality. In 2012, he was named U.S. National Champion Two-Year-old Colt, U.S. National Champion Junior Colt, and Scottsdale Arabian Horse Show Champion Colt.

Hariry's beauty and conformation caught David's attention. After researching his pedigree, David was convinced Hariry could be a fantastic cross on the daughters Magnum Psyche, DA Valentino, and Vitorio TO. Plans for Hariry Al Shaqab include competing at the 2013 U.S. National Arabian Championships. Following that appearance, it will be on to Scottsdale to be prepared for the New Years Eve Farm Tour, the 2014 Scottsdale Show season, the beginning of a very busy breeding season, and





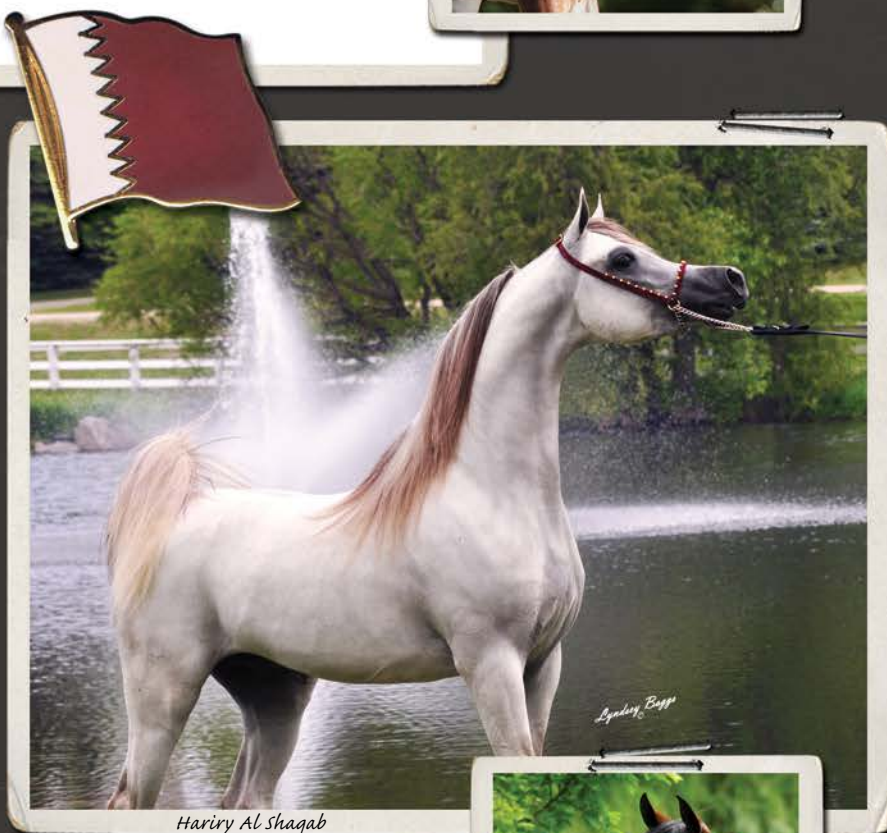
*Faraa Al Shaqab & his daughter, JJ Argentina*



the highly anticipated arrival of his first foals. In 2013, Hariry was bred on a limited basis to a few, very select mares.

The Arabian horses, their breeders and owners, represented by David and Midwest Training and Breeding Stations are vital members of our global community. In a recent interview with Izabella Zawadzka, David offered this comment, "There are many great horsemen, and women, who could extend the possibilities and knowledge we have by sharing new and different ideas about judging and breeding Arabian horses. If the future of the Arabian horse is to survive, and thrive, it must be with all of us working together."

This is sound advice and the basis for daily life at Midwest where their goal is to bring people and beautiful Arabian horses together, and share their love of the Arabian horse with the world. We invite you to learn more about



*Hariry Al Shaqab*

Midwest Training Center, our history, our clients, our international success, and the exceptional breeding stallions from around the world, which we represent. Please visit the Midwest website to view the profiles of all the stallions at [www.midwestarabians.com](http://www.midwestarabians.com)



*Juliah B - in foal to Hariry Al Shaqab*