

## Florida Alpaca & Llama Association Inc.

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### Letter from the President

We are still in winter but spring certainly feels like it is here. We hope your holidays were filled with family and friendship! The season upon us is **SHOW** season.

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We have several fairs and shows coming up around the southeast in March, April, and May. If being outside and in the woods and hiking with your critter is your thing, join Mary Rose Collins at the SSLA Spring Pack Llama Trial in April in DuPont Forest, North Carolina. If you're still working on projects, I hope you area able to finish them in time to enter them at the Levy County Fair! This deadline is March 24 with the one day show April 1<sup>st</sup>. So if you have never shown before, this is a good one to try your skills with your llama or alpaca.

We have so many opportunities this year for exhibiting our animals and their products. FALA is still trying to get the word out to other fairs and venues for shows, but we are making a difference. We depend upon our members to continue to spread the word by participating at libraries, schools, and civic and youth organizations.

We continue to work on an education seminar for this October. More information will be in upcoming issues.

Enjoy this weather with your herd!

Claire-Marie Warner, FALA President

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### Levy County Fair Llama and Alpaca Show

# Come to the Llama and Alpaca Show at the Levy County Fair!



Show date is 4/1/16 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

There will be both Halter and Performance classes.

There will also be Walking Fleece and Fiber Products classes . A great opportunity to have your fiber animal evaluated by judge, Tracy Weaver.

Please visit <a href="http://www.levycountyfair.com/livestock-show.html">http://www.levycountyfair.com/livestock-show.html</a> for the entry forms and information. Entry deadline is March 24.

If you have thought about showing your camelid or entering your handmade fiber products, this show is for you!

### 2017 Florida State Fair Open and Youth Llama Show



## **2017 Open and Youth Llama Show**

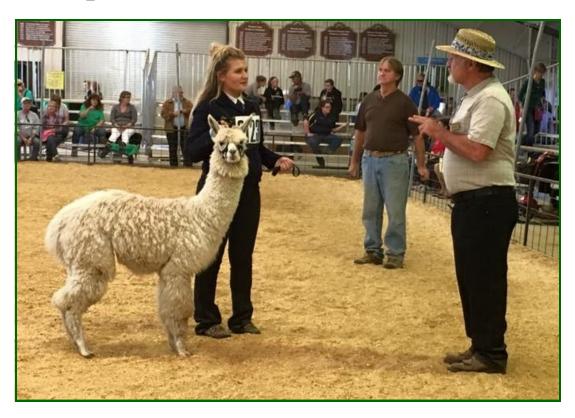
Thank you to the Fair Committee that made this year's show another success and more!







## **2017 Open and Youth Llama Show**





### RESCUE RUMINATIONS

Here is the 2016 year end report for Southeast Llama Rescue about the animals that came to us and were adopted out.

#### Report for 2016 on llamas and alpacas in SELR

Surrendered: 153 (77 llamas, 76 alpacas)

Adopted: 79 (40 llamas, 39 alpacas)

Available: 51 (15 llamas, 33 alpacas and 1 guanaco)

On hold: 5 (3 for aggression, 2 seized and not yet released)

Re-homed: 2

Died: 14 (many of these were previously adopted)

Adoption Pending: 14



**Gustavo** is a gelded male, but former breeder, fawn, huacaya alpaca. He is from the Jacksonville rescue group. He has been fostered by Steve German who has brought him back to health. Steve says he is easy to halter and lead. Gustavo would be a good fiber animal and a possible halter/performance candidate. If you are interested please contact me at llamachick @yahoo.com. His adoption fee is \$250.00 and comes with a Caring for Alpacas and Llama book, new halter and lead.

#### **Jacksonville Female alpaca update:**

Three of the suri females have been adopted to a good home in south GA.

Three females will go to their new home in March to Sweet Blossom Alpaca Farm, a FALA member.

The remaining two are tentatively adopted as soon as their fencing is in place.

Thank you to Maryann Marsh for fostering and locating good homes! None of the girls have delivered yet but are imminent.

#### A note from the SELR Treasurer:

The donation note read "My son Jackson loves llamas and wanted to donate \$ to SELR that he got for his 11th birthday.'...to continue in a small way the good work you do for these amazing animals." \$200 from Jackson.

Sheri & Christopher Dailey St Petersburg FL 33703

also included two other checks in the same envelope:

Kristin & Greg Grimm St Petersburg FL 33702 \$15 Holly Kickliter St Petersburg FL 33704 \$20

NICE!! for a youngster to care!





### **2017 Calendar of Events**

March 3-5 — Hillbilly Show, Perry GA

March 17-19 — SSLA Conference in Flat Rock, NC

March 26 — FALA Meeting at Serenity Hills Llama Ranch, Groveland - 1pm

**April 1 , 8am-5pm** — Come to the llama show at the Levy County Fair in Williston. Halter, Performance, Walking Fleece, and Fiber classes.