Horseshoe Nail Award

Each year at least one volunteer receives recognition for their outstanding service – someone who goes "above and beyond" during the current Va State Show. A poem describes this volunteer's importance to our show:

For want of a nail, the shoe was lost.

For want of a shoe, the horse was lost.

For want of a horse, the rider was lost.

For want of a rider, the battle was lost.

For want of a battle, the kingdom was lost,

And all for the want of a horseshoe nail!

This year's recipients are Rebecca Adams and Amber Robinson.

Rebecca has volunteered in our hospitality room for several years. She is always ready to help prepare food, keep drinks available and clean pots and pans. She ALWAYS does this with a warm and welcoming smile! She really "stepped up" to the plate this year when she was asked, at the very last minute to work "extra duty" to fill the shoes of Bebe Fulton, who could unfortunately not come. We all want to say a big thank you to Rebecca for keeping the volunteers and show officials well fed.

Amber is a former Extension agent who returned to volunteer this year! Although she had to head home, we want to recognize her here tonight as she was asked to work in many areas and no matter what the task she always had a big smile and a can do attitude. We are ever so grateful for her dedication to our program!

Past Recipients:

1980's – Danny Pearce, Gary Agnew, Janet Matkins, Thurman Register, Lynn Leigers, Keith 2002 – Ronnie Marshall

2004 – Bertha Durbin

2005 - Connie Collier

2006- Kendell Kniseley and Bob & Julie Williamson

2007- David Law and VT Equestrian Team

2008 – Tammy Nichols

2011- BeBe Fulton

2012 – John Jones and Fallon St. James

2013 – Eleszabeth McNeel and Janet Smith

2014 – Marshall Cofer, Cookie Ketron, Helen Matney, NeNe Estep and Linda Fogleman

2015 – Rose McDonald and Ronnie Marshall

2016 – Donna Newbraugh and Sue McDonald

2017 – Rebecca Adams, Amber Robinson, and Little Ben from the Virginia Horse Center

2018 - Hannah McDonald and Silent Auction boys, Brandon McDonald, Hunter Shoemaker, Hunter Shoemaker, Jacob Griffin, Dominic Cox