

Biography for Region 9 Treasurer
Karin C. Loftin, Ph.D.
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As a lifetime horse enthusiast, Karin was thrilled to be welcomed into this area's horse community and the Brazos Association for Classical Horsemanship (BACH) again in October 2019. She has owned several horses as an adult, but her most memorable horse was a Hanoverian warm-blood, Feragamo (Photo above), affectionately named Fritz. Fritz traveled with her to Missouri in 2014, but she decided it would be best for him to stay behind in Missouri, when she returned to Texas in 2019. They earned two Houston Dressage Society Rider's Achievement Certificates back in 2013 for Adult Amateur First Level and Adult Amateur First Level Freestyle.

Karin retired in 2013 from Texas A&M University as an Associate Biosafety Officer to spend more time riding and supporting Equestrian Sports for future generations. She currently half-leases an American Paint Horse, Stinker, and continues to ride dressage with a local trainer, Amanda Merritt. She plans to compete again at training and first levels.

Karin has been a member of the Houston Dressage Society, USEF, and USDF since 2007. She first joined the local BACH in College Station from September of 2009 until she moved to Missouri in 2014. There she became a member of the Columbia Dressage and Combined Training Association from 2014-2019. Upon our return to Bryan, TX in 2019, she rejoined BACH as a board member and Treasurer in 2020.

Karin attended Oakland University in Rochester, Michigan and graduated in 1970 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Biology. She decided to continue her studies in Medical Technology in Dallas, Texas, graduating in August, 1971 with a degree in Medical Technology (ASCP). Her interest in biomedical sciences led her to complete a Master's Degree at the University of Texas Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences in Houston, Texas in 1973 and a Ph.D. in 1979. She specialized in the areas of microbiology (infectious diseases) and cellular immunology (inflammation) throughout her 30-year career in biomedical research and public health. She was honored to work for 10 years as a KRUG/Wyle Life Sciences contractor in the Medical Sciences Division at NASA Johnson Space Center.

After over 50 years of marriage, 2 children and 7 grandchildren, Bowen and Karin are enjoying their retirement by serving on several boards, church committees and attending Texas A&M Sports whenever possible.