

## **Mark Martin - Georgia**

I would first like to introduce myself. My name is Mark Martin; my wife Shannon and I are avid animal lovers, and as such our lives are devoted to them. We own 5 Pet Supplies Plus stores, but our true passion has always been Clydesdales. In 1999 we founded our farm, Classic City Clydesdales, now in operation for 19 years and counting. Classic City Clydesdales is a family owned and operated breeding facility located in Bishop, Georgia where the primary focus is breeding top quality Clydesdale horses for work and show.

As a successful business owner, I understand the importance of teamwork, building and maintaining relationships, as well as how to solve complex problems. I understand how to deal with groups of people who often don't agree on everything, and I am able to bridge the gap to help reach a compromise. I believe my background as a businessman, and more importantly my love of the Clydesdale breed, will help me to make a positive impact on the association if elected to the board.

When we founded Classic City Clydesdales our desire was to not only focus on top quality breeding, we share our farm with the public. We believe in always promoting and educating all who take interest in the great Clydesdale breed. I want to continue to do so as a part of the association,

I appreciate your time in reading my letter and consideration in voting for me as a board member. I would take this role very seriously and do all that I can do to continue to represent this breed to the high standards that it deserves. It would be my honor to represent the Clydesdale association and be able to help take us to the next level.

Thank you, and God Bless.

Sincerely,

Mark Martin