



In my effort to enjoy the privilege of serving on the Board of Directors of the Gypsy Vanner Horse Society, following is a short Biography.

I'm 61 years old, born and raised in Red Deer, Alberta, Canada. I completed High School in Red Deer; moved to Edmonton then Vancouver to complete my Bachelor of Commerce and Masters of Business Administration degrees respectively. Just as I was finishing my MBA, I applied for and was awarded the position of a Manager in British Columbia's Horse Racing industry. At the same time, my father's partner called me to come and work at our family construction business in Red Deer as he was going to retire. So back to Red Deer I went where I am now in my 36th year co-managing a very successful, 375 person road building company founded in 1955 by my father.

I pride myself on being fair and a voice of the people. I conduct myself ethically, am responsible, respectful and operate in a professional manner. I'm a good listener. I'm a 'get it done' type of person with a lot of experience

dealing with complex problems involving people - any business' greatest resource.

The Gypsy Vanner Society is our farm's exclusive registry of choice which we have been members of since May of 2013. Our farm and horses have also been active in the GVHS evaluation program. Another Vanner owner and I were instrumental in starting the Central Alberta Gypsy Vanner Show. We promote Gypsy Vanners through postings on Facebook and will be attending a Vanner event next spring in southern Alberta.

My True love has always been horses! Our first Gypsy Vanner arrived from England in 2008 and was soon followed by 3 more, then another and 3 more and so on - you all know how that goes. Now in our 16th season of breeding and as one of the largest breeders in Western Canada (having sold 94 GVHS registered Gypsy Vanners), I feel compelled to bring together all Gypsy Vanner owners to a single registry that stands above the rest - the Gypsy Vanner Horse Society. I would like to see more Gypsy Vanner owners register their horses with the confidence and knowledge that they're registering with the best registry and to erase some of the confusion that now exists for new owners of the breed. Another of my goals is to further promote the Gypsy Vanner as the best breed to be involved in therapy programs. I would feel privileged to serve Gypsy Vanner owners in North America by continuing to serve on the Board of Directors of the Gypsy Vanner Horse Society.

Sincerely,
Kate Walls