

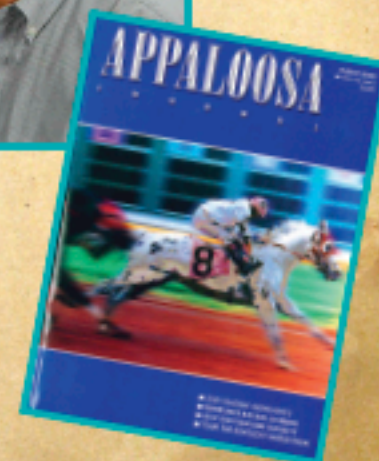
Kin and Kay Pirtle

Norman, Oklahoma

Longtime Appaloosa racehorse breeders and owners Kin and Kay Pirtle have earned their spot in history and are inducted into the Appaloosa Racing Hall of Fame. The Pirtles, of Norman, Oklahoma, raced Appaloosas from 1984 to 2008 and bred more than 60 Appaloosa racehorses, and were active with Oklahoma Appaloosa Racing (OAR) for more than 23 years, including 20 years in various board positions and as treasurer and secretary. They had 45 race wins.

Two of their foundation mares, Cash Blues (ApHC Racing Hall of Fame 2018 inductee) and Go Raney Cloud, earned bronze dam production plaques. Cash Blues was also a race medallion earner, as were Cash In Any Form, KP Funny Money, Eye Full Of Cash, Gold Nuggets Rane, Tears, and Open Range. Gold Nuggets Rane and Tears won the prestigious Americana Futurity in 1998 and 2001 respectively.

Unlike many racehorse owners who become breeders, the for-



mer pleasure-horse Pirtles started as breeders with the help of veterinarian neighbor B.J. Trimmell, purchasing mare Christi Cloud, who had been bred to Easy We Go. They became involved in racing a couple years later, with the resulting foal We Go Roman, who won her schooling race. Sadly, this filly died from a spinal-cord infection prior to the Texas Futurity, but that didn't stop the Pirtles from breeding more winners, starting with Go Kloud Pacer, who won five of 23 starts and earned \$20,432 in 1980s money. Another Christi Cloud foal, Go Raney Cloud, became a leading dam, whose 13 race foals earned a total of \$196,395.91.