

June 17, 2015

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***Collie Club of America, Inc.
2016 National Specialty
March 20 – March 26, 2016 – includes performance dates
Kentucky Exposition Center, Louisville KY***

NOTIFICATION TO ALL CCA MEMBERS WHO WISH TO RUN FOR NATIONAL OFFICE

Anyone wishing to run for National Office for the Collie Club of America should prepare their willingness to run notification and resume/bio of themselves. Please indicate the position of interest. This information should be sent to the secretary at ccasec@tctelco.net on or before midnight of July 1, 2015.

For those wishing to run for District Directors: those ballots and your willingness to run will go out to the members in the early fall.

President's Message

I would like to thank the board for having a very good meeting by phone conference. We were able to conduct business in a very smooth manner. In this communiqué you will find the names of members who would like to be the next DAL replacing John Buddie. Also I would ask you to support my selection for the next Bulletin Editor, Lynda Cox.

As you know, we have had another rescue situation. Thank goodness this was a very small one. I would like to thank the Collie Rescue of the Carolinas for taking such quick action and getting the dogs in a place where they are being treated.

I have a report from Lenell Nix that his committee has the e-mail list over 90% done; we should be able to utilize the new communication system in the very near future.

Please continue to spread the word about the "Take the Lead" event the Saturday before our next National. Contact Butch Schulman or Susan Kaelin for more information. I am still getting members contacting me about the room situation for next year's National, please let your members know that there is a shortage of rooms at the host Hotel; therefore, they will need to get in touch with Hotels in the area for rooms and from my information they are going at a premium cost.

Thank you for your service to the CCA,

Mike Van Tassell

Secretary's Message

I have e-mailed to all clubs in Zone 3, (MO, IA, MI, MN, I, IL, ND, SD, and IA) were the letters to invite those clubs to submit a bid for CCA 2019. This letter was sent to all secretaries listed with our Show Permissions and Loving Cup Committee files and to the respective district directors for each state along with our National Show Chairs. The deadline to express an interest in bidding is August 1. The second date is September 1 submit your proposals to the National Show Chairs for review. The deadline to submit completed bid submission is October 31, 2015.. Please contact the National Show Committee, NSC@collieclubofamerica.org and read Show Rules for details and requirements. A copy of Show Rules is available on the CCA website. We hope all areas of Zone 3 will submit a bid for comparison and vote by the Board.

The judges list for Zone 2 to begin the selection process for 2018 has been sent to Host Show Chair, Michelle Esch-Brooks. She will be contacting all Clubs in Zone 2 for their input to begin this selection process. Zone 2 will be submitting their selection of five judges, hopefully in our next Communique' along with asking the Board to review along with the Host Show Committee Chairs for 2018 and their resumes.

Please read the update from the Communication Committee. They are finalizing the details for the introduction of a new email program for the CCA to get news to members quickly.

For those Committee Chairs not yet signed up with our Online Storage program, please contact the committee for more information. They are there to help facilitate your set up as we encourage your participation to protect the files, pictures, publications, etc. belonging to the CCA and its history. Contact: Laura Delaurentis at Onlinestorage@gmail.com.

We ask your help in letting us know if there are members that have health issues so we can send a card. Please send your information to your district director. Also, if a condolence card should be sent, please contact us in the same manner. We appreciate your help as all CCA members are important and we wish them well.

The update on Lynn Myers is very good. She was released from the hospital on May 29, she sounds wonderful and ready to begin her rounds of physical therapy and occupational therapy. You may send your cards to her home: 2064 CR 2500 N., Thomasboro, IL 61878-9655.

It is time to begin thinking about candidates for the Good Sportsmanship Award and for Shining Star. The details will follow in the next Communique' as we begin this process.

District directors as we prepare for the next election, please notify your members if you are willing to run in this next election. Anyone wishing to run for National office...President, etc. please send notification and resume to the secretary, ccasec@tctelco.net, by July 1, 2015. Thank you to all who wish to serve the Collie Club of America.

Have a safe and wonderful summer,

Janie

TREASURER'S REPORT – MIKE ESCH
Balance Sheet as of April 30, 2015

ASSETS

Cash and Bank Accounts	
Checking	\$13,391.87
Columbia money market	\$39,361.75
Membership Checking	\$1,769.61
National Conformation account	\$97.03
National Performance Account	\$4,449.17
Savings - Banner Blue	\$522.12
Savings 2720 - CCA	\$177.86
TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts	\$59,769.41
Other Assets	
Mergard Trust	\$123,957.46
Inventory of trophies	\$13,291.04
TOTAL Other Assets	\$137,248.50
Investments	
Various Securities	\$204,394.44
TOTAL Investments	\$204,394.44
TOTAL ASSETS	\$401,412.35

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

LIABILITIES	\$0.00
EQUITY	\$401,412.35
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$401,412.35

CC of A Income Statement April 2015 YTD

01/01/2015 - 04/30/2015

INCOME

Inc Advertising	\$14,616.78
Inc CCA Loving Cup	\$900.00
Inc Donation - General	\$1,000.00
Inc Herding Certificates	\$10.00
Inc Library	\$1,388.95
Inc Material Sales	\$1,720.00
Inc Membership - Renew	\$36,069.75
Inc Sales	\$304.43
Inc Seminars	\$2,965.00
Interest - Banner Blue	\$0.04
Interest - Bonds	\$2.66
Interest - Mergard Trust	\$20.36
TOTAL INCOME	\$58,997.97

EXPENSES

Advance - Meet the Breeds	\$500.00
Annual fees	\$300.00
Application fees - western regional herding	\$70.00
Bank charges	\$134.95
Banners - Public relations	\$300.00
Board meeting expenses	\$1,596.93
Bond Insurance	\$359.00
Computer Repair	\$32.42
D&O Insurance	\$1,607.00
Donation - 501 (c) 3 qualified	\$4,255.00
Mail prep	\$2,749.50
Postage	\$5,965.56
Printing	\$16,887.19
Registration Inserts	\$77.58
Remote Deposit Monthly fee	\$160.00
Rent Storage Room for materials	\$1,045.00
Seminar expenses	\$6,262.18
Seminar registration fee - AKCHF	\$250.00
Show application fees	\$70.00
Show records from AKC - 2014	\$200.00
Site Rentals	\$7,500.00
Supplies	\$4,376.65
Telephone Charges	\$119.74
Travel expenses - AKC Delegate	\$523.36
Trophies	\$3,922.00
Trophy case manufacture	\$767.96
Videos	\$3,265.00
Web Site Hosting Fee	\$239.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$63,536.02
NET CHANGE	-\$4,538.05

CHECKING JOURNAL & CASH RECORD April 2015

Date	Num	Description	Category	Tag	Amount
4/1/2015	3950	Collie Expressions	Banners	Public Relations Committee	-\$300.00
4/1/2015	3951	Patt Caldwell	Supplies	2015 Breeders Education	-\$293.28
4/6/2015	3952	Tuff Quest	Inc Membership - Renew	Membership	-\$140.00
				2015 Eastern Herding	
4/8/2015	DebitCard	AKC	Application Fees	Regionals	-\$70.00
4/9/2015	3953	Postmaster	Postage	2015 Newsletter	-\$476.13
4/9/2015	3954	City Of Virginia Beach	Site Rental	2018 National	-\$5,000.00
4/11/2015	DEP		Inc Library		\$1,062.95
4/14/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$89.89
4/14/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$0.90
4/17/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$6.24
4/17/2015	3955 S	Modern Litho	Printing	2014 Yearbook	-\$11,771.19
			Supplies	2014 Yearbook	-\$1,228.21
			Mail Prep	2014 Yearbook	-\$2,749.50
			Donation - 501 (c) 3		
4/17/2015	3956	Take The Lead	qualified	Donation 501 (c) (3) Qualify	-\$3,750.00

4/17/2015	3957	Karen Anderson	Postage	Library of Champions Vol. 8	-\$30.81
4/17/2015	3958	Fed Ex	Postage	Show Perm&Trph	-\$15.89
4/20/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$22.09
4/20/2015	DEP S		Inc Material Sales	Material Sales	\$31.00
			Inc Sales	Library of Champions Vol. 8	\$87.43
			Inc Library	Librarian Act	\$200.00
4/22/2015	DebitCard	Star Case	Trophy Case Mfg	National Trophies	-\$380.25
4/28/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$1.68
TOTAL INFLOWS					\$1,381.38
TOTAL OUTFLOWS					-\$26,326.06
NET TOTAL					-\$24,944.68

MAY FINANCIALS

Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2015

ASSETS

Cash and Bank Accounts

Checking	\$32,570.57
Columbia money market	\$14,361.75
Membership Checking	\$2,739.61
National Conformation account	\$97.03
National Performance Account	\$4,449.17
Savings - Banner Blue	\$512.13
Savings 2720 - CCA	\$177.86
TOTAL Cash and Bank Accounts	\$54,908.12

Other Assets

Mergard Trust	\$123,962.72
Inventory of trophies	\$13,291.04
TOTAL Other Assets	\$137,253.76

Investments

Various Securities	\$204,394.44
TOTAL Investments	\$204,394.44

TOTAL ASSETS **\$396,556.32**

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LIABILITIES **\$0.00**

EQUITY **\$396,556.32**

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY **\$396,556.32**

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Inc Donation - General	\$1,000.00
Inc Herding Certificates	\$45.00
Inc Library	\$1,388.95
Inc Material Sales	\$1,720.00
Inc Membership - Renew	\$37,079.75
Inc Sales	\$612.93
Inc Seminars	\$2,965.00
Inc Video Streaming	\$877.50
Interest - Banner Blue	\$0.05
Interest - Bonds	\$2.66
Interest - Mergard Trust	\$25.62
TOTAL INCOME	\$61,404.24

EXPENSES	
Advance - Meet the Breeds	\$500.00
Advance - 2016 National	\$5,000.00
Application fees - Regional herding events	\$140.00
Bank charges	\$144.95
Banners - Public relations	\$300.00
Board meeting expenses	\$1,596.93
Bond Insurance	\$359.00
Communication expenses	\$504.00
Computer Repair	\$32.42
D&O Insurance	\$1,607.00
Donation - 501 (c) 3 qualified	\$4,255.00
Mail prep	\$2,749.50
Postage	\$6,828.06
Printing	\$17,504.19
Registration Inserts	\$77.58
Remote Deposit Monthly fee	\$200.00
Rent Storage Room for materials	\$1,045.00
Seminar expenses	\$6,262.18
Seminar registration fee - AKCHF	\$250.00
Show records from AKC - 2014	\$200.00
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Supplies	\$4,605.45
Telephone Charges	\$119.74
Travel expenses - AKC Delegate	\$523.36
Trophies	\$3,922.00
Trophy case manufacture	\$767.96
Videos	\$3,265.00
Web Site Hosting Fee	\$239.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$70,498.32
NET CHANGE	-\$9,094.08

CHECKING JOURNAL & CASH RECORD May 2015

Date	Num	Description	Category	Tag	Amount
5/1/2015	3959	CCA 2016 Show Account	Advance	2016 National	-\$5,000.00
5/9/2015	TXFR		[Columbia money market]		\$25,000.00
5/11/2015	3965	Kathy Peters	Supplies	Librarian Act	-\$228.80
5/11/2015	3962	Fed Ex	Postage	Show Perm&Trph	-\$67.75
5/11/2015	S	Spectra Print	Printing	2015 Newsletter	-\$617.00
			Postage	2015 Newsletter	-\$237.29
5/11/2015	3964	Modern Litho	Postage	2014 Yearbook	-\$541.91
5/11/2015	DEP S		Inc CCA Loving Cup	Show Perm&Trph	\$170.00
			Inc Sales	Librarian Act	\$228.50
			Inc Herding Certificates	Versatility Program	\$15.00
5/15/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$5.75
5/20/2015	DebitCard	USPS	Postage	Secretary Budget	-\$9.80
5/27/2015	DebitCard	Constant Contact	Communication Expenses	Secretary Budget	-\$504.00
5/29/2015	S		Inc Herding Certificates	Versatility Program	\$20.00
			Inc Sales	Librarian Act	\$80.00
			Inc Video Streaming	2015 Breeders Education	\$877.50
TOTAL INFLOWS					\$26,391.00
TOTAL OUTFLOWS					-\$7,212.30
NET TOTAL					\$19,178.70

TAKE THE LEAD REPORT – some HISTORY
From Susan Kaelin

The Collie Club of America will be sponsoring a *Take The Lead* charitable event the weekend of the Kentuckiana Dog Show Cluster to be held on **Saturday, March 19, 2016**. *Take the Lead* was founded in 1993 as a not-for-profit foundation under Section 501 (c)3 of the Internal Revenue Code dedicated to provide direct services, support and care for all qualified participants in the sport of purebred dogs who suffer from the devastating realities of life-threatening or terminal illnesses. In 2014, Take the Lead distributed in excess of \$337,000 to those in our sport of pure bred dogs, who needed assistance.

The goal of the Collie Club of America Take the Lead event is to be the largest Take the Lead fund raiser to date, raising the bar in fund raising by having ‘live internet auctions’ to draw participants around the world. The AKC has modeled their Health Foundation after the Collie Club of America’s Health Foundation, and we will set the example for future clubs that will host a Take the Lead event. This will result in larger Take the Lead fund raisers to assist the people in our sport who need assistance.

What better place to hold this event than the Thoroughbred racetrack that hosts the Kentucky Derby? Churchill Downs is steep in Kentucky tradition, and began in an era where the collie, AKC, and the Collie Club of America were also forming as well.

- Churchill Downs officially opened in 1875, and held the first Kentucky Derby and the first Kentucky Oak (Derby for the fillies held the day before the Derby) in the same year.
- Westminster was founded in 1877 – Please note showing dogs is the second longest continued sport after the Kentucky Derby. Most people do not realize it is the only organized sport where adults, children, amateurs and professionals compete against each other in the same arena.
- In 1879 the first English Collie was imported to this country. It is from England that we find the famous pillars of the breed, from which the American fanciers sought not only their next big winner, but also their foundation stock.
- The AKC was founded in 1884
- The Collie Club of America, Inc. was formed on August 26, 1886, which makes it one of the oldest specialty clubs in existence.

The Take the Lead event will be held on Millionaires Row at Churchill Downs. During race season, the rich and famous mingle on Millionaires Row for the Derby and the Oaks. Take the Lead participants will be added to the *'Who's Who List'* of people who have graced the presence of Millionaires Row.

One of the first celebrity sightings dates to 1877 when famed Polish actress Helena Modjeska attended the third running of the Kentucky Derby. Over the years, a stream of celebrities from film, television, music, sports, politics, publishing, fashion and corporate American have been drawn to the Kentucky Derby. On at least one occasion, a celebrity with a more notorious background was the talk of the Derby. The 15th renewal in 1889 brought bank and train robber Frank James to Louisville. The brother of famed outlaw Jesse James and a leader in their outlaw gang, Frank was on hand to watch Spokane take the victory over favored Proctor Knott.

Celebrity Owners

Although most of the rich and famous who attend are guests of prominent ticket holders, Millionaires Row has also attracted an impressive roster of celebrity Kentucky Derby horse owners. Since 1990, this group of celebrity owners has grown to include musician Hammer (1992 - Dance Floor, 3rd); composer Burt Bacharach (1994 - Soul of the Matter, 5th & 1995 - Afternoon Deelites, 8th); music producer Barry Gordy (1994 - Powis Castle, 8th); film producer Albert Broccoli (1994 - Brocco, 4th); New York Yankee owner George Steinbrenner (1997 - Concerto, 9th and 2005 - Belamy Road, 7th); University of Louisville coach Rick Pitino (1998 - Hallory Hunter, 4th); and movie director Steven Spielberg (2003 - Atswhatimtalknbout, 4th).

Royalty

As a direct descendent of England's Epsom Derby, Churchill Downs' Millionaires Row has played host to British Royalty on four different Kentucky Derby occasions. In 1930, Edward George Villiers Stanley, the 17th Earl of Derby, from whose family name the term "Derby" was derived, became the first English nobleman to attend. Prohibition was in effect at the time and Lord Derby stated his disappointment in not being able to sample a mint julep. "You have a great many advantages I should like to copy for England," Derby said, "but prohibition is not one of them."

The Earl of Derby was followed in 1951 by the Duke of Windsor, who had renounced the British throne in 1936 so he could wed the American divorcee Wallace Simpson. The 100th running of the Kentucky Derby in 1974 brought Her Royal Highness The Princess Margaret and her husband Lord Snowden. Princess Margaret, the sister of the Queen of England, took part in the trophy presentation and awarded winning owner John Olin a specially crafted trophy for the milestone victory.

In 2007, Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip attended the 133rd Kentucky Derby and watched Street Sense win the "Run for the Roses." Her Majesty, who wore a lime green wool coat with a matching silk dress and lime green hat with fuchsia trim, arrived two hours before the Kentucky Derby and enjoyed a view of the race and the spectacle surrounding it from a table in Churchill Downs' Stakes Room, located within the fourth-floor clubhouse.

U.S. Presidents

Seven politicians who have gone on to become president of the United State have watched the classic race and witnessed the electricity and excitement of the Kentucky Derby. Harry S. Truman was reported as the first and was followed in 1952 by Lyndon Johnson who attended while a Texas senator.

Richard M. Nixon is the only president to have attended while already serving in office. He visited in 1968 as guest of Kentucky Governor Louie B. Nunn and commented that if he were elected president he would return to the 1969 Derby. 1969 also attracted two future presidents, Gerald R. Ford and Ronald Reagan. No other president has witnessed more Kentucky Derbys than Ford. Beginning in 1977, Ford and his wife Betty attended almost every Kentucky Derby for 10 years as guests of longtime friend John Galbreath, a former Churchill Downs chairman of the board.

In 1983, for the 109th Derby, two past presidents and one future president were in attendance. Ford was joined by Jimmy Carter, the democrat who had defeated him in 1976, and Vice President George Bush, who would win the 1988 election. Other vice presidents who've attended include Charles Curtis, 1931, and John Nance Garner, 1937.

History of Churchill Downs

The track is named for John and Henry Churchill, who leased 80 acres of land to their nephew, Colonel Meriwether Lewis Clark Jr. (grandson of explorer William Clark). Clark was president of the Louisville Jockey Club and Driving Park Association, which formed in 1874. His father-in-law, Richard Ten Broeck, was an accomplished horse breeder and trainer, and introduced Clark to horse racing, attending the English Derby at Epsom Downs outside London.

In 1893, the track was sold to a syndicate led by William Applegate. The new ownership would soon institute many changes, such as shortening the length of the signature race to its modern 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ mile, commissioning the famous twin spire grandstand in 1895, and adorning the winner of the Derby with a garland of roses, a tradition that also began in 1895.

In early 1902, Applegate turned over operation of the track to Charles F. Grainger, then the mayor of Louisville, in an effort to move Churchill Downs away from being primarily known for gambling. The business had been floundering until this time when Col. Matt Winn of Louisville put together a syndicate of businessmen to acquire the facility.

Under Winn, Churchill Downs prospered and the Kentucky Derby then became the preeminent stakes race for three-year-old thoroughbred horses in North America.

During that early period, a new clubhouse was built in order to promote social interaction, and new events such as steeplechases, automobile races, and band concerts were held at the track. The State Fair was held on the grounds, featuring the odd spectacle of two locomotives being intentionally crashed head-on in the infield.

On June 5, 1907, African American jockey James Lee set a record that has never been beaten when he won the entire six-race card at Churchill Downs.

In 1908, parimutuel betting machines were introduced as gambling began to be less controversial again, and the wagering portion of the track's business became more profitable.

Churchill Downs was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1986.

The twin spires atop the grandstands are the most recognizable architectural feature of Churchill Downs and are used as a symbol of the track and the Derby. They were designed by architect Joseph Dominic Baldez and built in 1895. Today, Churchill Downs covers 147 acres. The usual number of people seated at the derby is 50,000 people, though crowds can reach over 150,000 on Derby day. The dirt oval main track, on which the Derby is run, is one mile in circumference and is 79–80 feet wide, with a 120-foot-wide section for the starting gate. A turf track, inside the main track, is $\frac{7}{8}$ mile in circumference and 80-foot wide.

From 2001 to 2005, Churchill Downs underwent a three-and-a-half year, \$121 million renovation. The clubhouse was replaced, 79 luxury suites were added, and the historic twin spires were refurbished. One of the additions in the clubhouse was a 36-foot mural by Pierre Bellocq depicting all 96 jockeys to win the Kentucky Derby from 1875 to 2004. In summer 2008 the same artist added another mural depicting all of the trainers and updating the Jockey's painting, adding Calvin Borel and Edgar Prado to it. These updates are done yearly to accommodate new winning trainers and jockeys. The new design has been somewhat controversial since the new suites block full view of the spires from most angles.

Racing at Churchill Downs occurs in three meets though for the majority of its existence there were only two meets per year. The spring meet starts one week before the Derby and continues until early July. The Kentucky Derby is held the first Saturday in May and the Kentucky Oaks is run on Friday, the day before the Derby. A fall meet picks up in late October and closes Thanksgiving weekend in late November. A third meet in September was added in 2013.

In addition to the track, clubhouse and stables, Churchill Downs also contains the Kentucky Derby Museum which focuses on the history of the Kentucky Derby and Churchill Downs. The museum also contains a number of exhibits exploring the training and racing of thoroughbred horses. It includes a 360-degree cinema that shows the short film "The Greatest Race," a documentary about the Kentucky Derby. The museum is normally open year-round.

In 2014, Churchill Downs installed a new, ultra high-definition video board built by Panasonic, that was operational in time for the 2014 Kentucky Derby. The video board measures 171 feet wide and 90 feet high, with the bottom edge 80 feet off the ground, named "The Big Board". It is constructed along the outside of the backstretch of the dirt course and faces the grandstand and infield. This is the world's largest ultra high-definition video board ever constructed.

COLLIE CLUB OF AMERICA, TAKE THE LEAD COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

April 21, 2015

Attendees: Butch Schulman, Dr. Cindi Bossart, Nancy McDonald, Lisa Schmidt, Gayle Guthman, Leigh Cohen, Gwen Means, Susan Kaelin, Alice Holm, Diane Steele.

Absent: Hildy Morgan, John Buddie, June Morris, Leah Warner, and Mike Cheatham

Butch reported Collie Club of America donation of \$3,750

Butch reported on the initial fund raising of individual sponsorships:

- Triple Crown Winners – sold out \$11,000
- Derby Fillies – sold out \$ 1,500
- G.R.I.T.S. *sponsorship in process* for OAKS (Derby for the Fillies) \$500.00

Total monetary donations to date: \$16,250

Venue:

Churchill Downs 6th Floor of Millionaire's Row has been secured for the venue. The rental cost for the room, table, chairs, linens and clean up is \$4,760.

Action Items:

- Susan to follow up with Churchill on cost (if any) of Cash Bar
- Susan to get Leigh Cohen a floor plan of the 6th floor
- Leigh is decorating the 6th floor of Millionaire's Row
- Susan to get the selling points of Churchill/Millionaire's Row for Cindi
- Cindi and Susan are going to ask for donations to pay for Churchill Downs venue.

Catering:

The caterer for the event is Silver Spoons, owner Phillip Koenig is a boxer breeder/exhibitor and has worked on Take the Lead events in the past. Butch sent out a separate email that contained the menu, if someone has not received it let me know and I can email it.

- Menu is priced at \$19 - \$20 per person.
- Catering staff labor is donated by Silver Spoons

Ticket Sales for Collie Club of America Take the Lead:

- Tickets will cost \$25.00
- 500 tickets is the target goal

Nancy will set up a Pay Pal account to buy tickets to enable people to:

- Buy Tickets online
- Buy Merchandise online
- Make donations online

Activities and Programs:

- Silent Auction and Live Auction:
 - Butch reviewed all donations to date
 - Dr. Cindi Bossart donated a 'Fertility Basket' and free consultation with her to the Live Auction – need details for program

- Leigh Cohen donated 'Lazy Exhibitor Basket' get away on Cedar Island to the Live Auction – need details for program
 - Dr. Cindi Bossart donated painting of Xoloitzcuintli to Live Auction and will get other paintings donated.
 - Cindy Alvarado is donating a painting of a foal with a puppy from each group. The foal will have the lead hanging down amongst the puppies. The painting will be unveiled and auctioned at the Live Auction.
 - Discussed having the Collie Club of America Take the Lead logo on the back of the print as a seal.
 - Prints will be made and Cindy Alvarado will donate 25% of proceeds to Take the Lead
 - First 200 prints will be signed
 - All committee members will receive a signed frame print.
 - Butch will contact Joann Neilsen to donate shoes from 'Upstart'
 - Butch will work with Diane Steele to see if Dr. Greathouse will donate his box seats at Churchill on Derby Day.
 - Package deal for Westminster – I do not have in my notes who was going to donate this.
 - Sally Futh is friends with Dortmund and may be able to donate his shoes if he wins the Derby.
 - Nancy will investigate live streaming for people who cannot attend. She will also follow up with Barry Jackson on how to do a live auction, how to close out an auction in a live meeting. We are going to reach out to people across the world to give them the opportunity to participate in our auction and bid on the internet.
- Specialty Club Baskets:
- Diane Steele is contacting Specialty Clubs to donate a basket
 - Have already received the following commitments:
 - Collie Club of Kentucky
 - Bluegrass Boxer Club
 - West Highland White Terrier Club of Indiana
 - Weimaraner Club of Greater Louisville
- Bourbon Tasting:
- We will sale tickets to go through the various stations
 - Butch is going to follow up with Michael Faulkner on Bourbon Tasting
- Bugler, Steve Buttleman will be available to 'call activities to the post'.
- Participants can have pictures made with bugler in his official Churchill attire for \$5.00.
- Run for the Rose': Ten handlers to run an agility course while holding a tray of wine glasses filled with wine. The winner must have the best time and the most wine in their glasses at the end of the run. Participants bet on the handler that they think will win.
- Alice Holm will bring agility equipment
 - Susan will follow up with Churchill Downs to see if we can set up the agility course on the racetrack.
- Kentucky Derby Court (Queen/Princess makeover competition): Participants who will be vying for the title of Queen, must 'work the crowd' to solicit vote to win. Those voting can buy tickets to give to the 'princess' of their choice. The Queen will be crowned by having the most tickets.
- John Buddie's friend Elvys Maldonado, (951) 214 1053 will help with make overs
- Cupcake Walk: A breed representing each of the seven groups will be placed on a Louisville Stoneware Platter that will have the CCA Take the Lead logo. These will be auctioned off. Cupcakes will be made from a very talented local baker. Breeds from each group for the cupcakes are listed below.

Herding Group

Hound Group

Collie	Bloodhound
Old English Sheepdog	Beagle
Bouvier des Flandres	Otterhound
Pembroke Welsh Corgi	Saluki
German Shepherd Dog	Rhodesian Ridgeback

Non-Sporting Group

Bichon Frise
Chow Chow
Poodle
Schipperke
Dalmatian

Sporting Group

Cocker Spaniel
English Springer Spaniel
Golden Retriever
Gordon Setter
Labrador Retriever

Working Group

Boxer
Newfoundland
Samoyed
Doberman Pinscher
Akita

Toy Group

Affenpinscher
Havanese
Maltese
Pekingese
Cavalier King Charles Spaniel

Terrier Group

West Highland White Terrier
Scottish Terrier
American Staffordshire Terrier
Colored Bull Terrier (not white)
Kerry Blue Terrier

- Wine Cork Pull:
 - Gwen Means will sell wine corks to people as they first come into Millionaire's Row.
 - Butch Schulman will work with local alcohol friends for donations
- 50/50 Raffle – no one volunteered to manage/coordinate this activity. Could also do raffles of auction items as well as 50/50
- Barber Shop Quartet for entertainment
 - Butch is working on this.
- Special Collie Club of America Take the Lead Logo and the sales of Shirts, Sweatshirts, and Aprons
 - Would like the wording under the logo to be:
 - Collie Club of America on Millionaires' Row 2016
 - Butch will pick up camera ready Logo and send to Susan
 - Susan will send Logo to Take the Lead to get merchandise made
 - Susan will also give Logo to Nancy McDonald and Leigh Cohen for advertising.
 - Thank you Mike Cheatham for a beautiful logo! ☺
 - Nancy (as stated earlier in these notes) will make merchandise available online
- Bourbon Seal with Special CCA Take The Lead Logo
 - Gayle Guthman and Butch Schulman will work on this

Subcommittee Chairs:

- Advertising – Nancy McDonald
- Ground (set up Millionaires' Row the day before and the day of the even including Silent Auction table)
 - Leigh Cohen is chair, we all need to help.
- Decorations of Millionaires' Row (flowers, banners, table cloths, balloons)
 - Leigh Cohen is our awesome decorator! ☺

- Promotion of events and ticket sales - Nancy will handle advertising for event and ticket sales and merchandise:
 - o Advertising Collie Expressions, Bulletin, and Colliesonline
 - o Facebook
 - o LKC Premium List – MB-F, Inc
 - o CCA Premium List
 - o Nancy will contact the Canine Chronicle
 - o Nancy will write article on how the Collie Club of America has been a leader in the sport of dogs. Collie Club of America was the first club to have a health foundation, and the AKC has modeled their health foundation after ours. Collie Club of America is the first breed club to sponsor Take the Lead, and we will challenge other breed clubs to follow our lead.
- Donations for both Silent and Live Auction and Cash – everyone. No committee chair identified in my notes.
 - o Susan will maintain list of all donations and the Take the Lead tax deduction form for non-cash items. Please email a detailed description and the donor information of each item. Also if an item needs to be shipped please ship after the Christmas holidays. Storage may be an issue – need to address.
 - o All checks must be made to Take the Lead, and on the memo/notes line of the check the Collie Club of America event must be written down so our donation will get credit for the donation.
- Shirts/Apron/Merchandise Sales: both online and at dog shows. – no chair in my notes
- Activities to raise money – no chair in my notes
- Program for the event – Butch needs help. No volunteers in my notes.

Other Discussion/Action Items:

- Leigh, Cyndi and Linda will work on booze donations for activities
 - Discussed getting logo put on matches/napkins or a tote bag with a sponsor. Make a goody bag so all participants leave with something to remember the event with. Dr. Cindi will contact drug companies.
 - Susan will find out dog food sponsor of the Kentuckiana Cluster so Dr. Cindi can contact them as well. – **The dog show sponsor is Eukanuba**
 - Leigh Cohen will get sponsor list from Tom Bradley so we don't contact their donors.
 - Butch and Susan will meet with Mary Miller about the estate items for Take the Lead
 - Leigh Cohen and Dr. Cindi will be co-chairs to get corporate sponsors (with Leigh's husband's help).
 - Susan will find out if the Kentuckiana Cluster will be having Meet The Breeds. **The Kentuckiana Cluster will be having Meet The Breeds**
 - Gayle will look into lapel pins with the CCA Take the Lead logo.
 - Susan needs to contract Miller Transportation for buses to venue
- Anyone needing to contact Debbie Hill and Tom Bradley, Take the Lead, their number is 1-800-814-1123

5/18/2015 – NEXT MEETING

CCA District Directors, Officers, and Collie Friends,

I wanted to send each of you a heartfelt **THANK YOU** for your support of my proposal to sponsor *Take the Lead* contiguous to our National Specialty in Louisville, Kentucky on Saturday, March 19, 2016. Other than my wife and children, Collies are my one true love. It was a passion that began as a young man 43 years ago in the ring with my parents' bitch at the 1972 CCA National Specialty. I also enjoy helping others. My wife, Robin, is my soulmate and a breast cancer survivor, and thank heavens we had good insurance, but I work in healthcare and recognize that many people do not have the means to help themselves. So, *Take the Lead* is the perfect mechanism to give back to those people in our sport who truly need our help. And, by sponsoring this event, the Collie Club of America has once again taken a leadership role in this regard. I just cannot thank you enough. Nancy McDonald is in the process of writing an article on why this event is so unique and relevant to the history of the CCA.

This event is a huge undertaking and I could not possibly do it alone. I want to publicly thank my co-Chair of this event (and I mean equal Chair in every way), Susan Kaelin, for all of her hard work over the past two months in planning this event. I could not do it without her! She has been simply amazing to work with on this project. I also want to thank our committee members, especially Nancy McDonald, Dr. Cindi Bossart, Leigh Cohen, Gwen Means, John Buddie, Mike Cheatham, Lisa Schmidt, Gayle Guthman, Leah Warner, June Morris, Hildy Morgan, Alice Holm, and Diane Steele for their support as well.

Susan Kaelin will send each of you more information on *Take the Lead* and Churchill Downs. The event will be held on Millionaire's Row. Please read Susan's synopsis. It will give you a better understanding of what this event is all about and the significance of the racetrack. In the interim, I wanted to share with you our special *Take the Lead* logo that will be available on merchandise for sale to the general public. And, a special thanks to Mike Cheatham for our logo design.

We have currently raised \$17,750 (inclusive of the \$3,750 CCA donation) for this event and our efforts have just begun. Please encourage your members to get involved and support this cause. Susan Kaelin will let you know how to order your t-shirts, sweatshirts, and aprons. Nancy McDonald will let you know how to purchase your tickets for the *Take the Lead* gala in Louisville. And, Millionaire's Row will just not be the same after Leigh Cohen decorates the venue!

Cindy Alvarado-Yearly has agreed to paint a one-of-a-kind original for our Live Auction entitled, "*Take the Lead*". It will be a foal in a halter with a lead dropped to the ground and one puppy from each of the seven AKC Groups tugging on the lead. Of course, the Herding Group will be represented by a Collie puppy. There will be 250 signed and numbered prints available as well with 25% of the proceeds for these prints also donated to our *Take the Lead* event.

Again, thank you for your support from the bottom of my heart!

For the love of the Collie and dog people everywhere,

Butch

Harry H. "Butch" Schulman
Strathmoor Collies

BREEDER OF THE YEAR AWARDS: THEIR CREATION AND IMPLEMENTATION REPORT FOR THE FIRST FOUR MONTHS OF 2015

Submitted By Kathy V. Moll (Chair last 4 month 2013 through first 4 months 2015)

Committee Members from mid-2013 to mid-2015: Emily Berkley, Isabel Ososki, Leslie Rappaport, Ellen Russell & Jeanine Blaner (CCA WCC chair and BOY consultant)

The new proposal for rough and smooth breeders of the year was approved by the CCA Board as of January 2015. Our goals to complete by May 2015 were:

1. Suggest a BOY Committee Chair for Future Awards as per the President's Request
2. Assist the New Chair & New Committee Members in Overseeing the 2015 Awards
3. Help Create an Application for Breeders
4. Make Suggestions & Begin Plans for Tangible Awards for Each Variety

New Committee Chair Appointment & Orientation

Out of 6 possibilities, the committee unanimously voted that President Van Tassel ask Amy Gau to serve. He asked and Amy accepted (appointment pending BOD approval). Subsequently, Amy met with this committee on our May 13 conference call so that we could answer her questions and tie up loose ends with her assistance.

We brainstormed with Amy about the makeup of her committee going forward. I volunteered to consult as did Jeanine who will either advise or ask one of her CCA WCC members to do so. Isabel volunteered to be a member of Amy's committee for some initial cross-over. Amy seemed pleased with these suggestions. As soon as she is approved, she will be asking others she feels will do a good job to be on her team. Committee members explained our process so that Amy could answer questions for her new committee members.

Our discussion about the new “**percentage based conformation**” portion of the award centered on the 75% total conformation portion, the largest part. When breeders apply during December '15 & January '16, they will submit the names & numbers for champions they bred or co-bred that finished in the calendar year 2015. The longtime desire expressed by many CCA members has been that a pure numbers game should be replaced by a percentage of collies produced in a typical year compared to the number of champions in the calendar year of the award.

Therefore, another breeder submission on the application will be the total number of live puppies (s)he bred or co-bred over calendar years '12, '13 & '14 using their AKC record keeping. The BOY Committee will calculate average number of puppies per year. The percentage of champions the breeder produced in 2015 will be determined when the committee compares the **average** number of puppies per-year produced over the previous three years with the number of champions for 2015.

Amy's new committee will receive automatic performance title updates from the CCA Working Collie Committee so no BOY committee members will need to keep up with new AKC title information or what titles stand for. Jeanine's cooperation as a resource with the current committee has been wonderful and will continue through her or one of her committee members.

We encourage breeders to contact their collie buyers that they know or believe have earned performance and/or service titles during the calendar year of the award to assist with the 15% of the award that applies to these areas. Perhaps a mass email to past collie buyers would get the desired result about titles on the other end of their collies' names. The highest title earned for each collie in each performance/service area for the year of the award counts toward the 15% for the breeder.

Health testing, screening and participation in studies on litters or individual collies count for 10% of the BOY awards. Agencies providing tests send results to the breeders and/or owners, usually online and/or in mailed paper copies. All breeders need do is keep health information with their kennel records.

CEA testing is what each CCA member agrees to by signing the Code of Ethics when joining or paying yearly dues. This is also the only testing “required” to qualify for the BOY awards in either variety. Additional health items give the breeder additional credit for what they do. The committee is not asking breeders for test results. Simple proof of testing or study participation is all that is required.

In addition to sample conformation conversions, the current committee has charts with point values and conversions in both the performance/service and health areas for the committee to use each year. **The breeders do not need to do any calculations unless they choose to do so.**

Breeder of the Year Application

I submitted a draft of a one page BOY application for breeders to use to send in their information in four (4) areas. This form may be revised or changed by Amy's committee if they wish.

The only information that breeders need to provide to the committee each year would be names & AKC numbers of champions they bred or co-bred; names and titles of performance/service titled collies they bred and choose to submit; health testing, screening and/or study participation for their collies; and the total number of live puppies produced and added together for the previous 3 years leading up to the award year. The application states, “I understand that most of the information I provided is a normal part of breeder record keeping and is subject to review if necessary.”

Future BOY committees will be responsible for inviting breeders who fall in the upper portion of raw number champions to apply if they so desire. Any other breeders who feel they may have a percentage possibility to win in either variety would be welcome to apply as well. The committee would then follow the charts and examples we have provided to calculate the winner in each variety. The process calculations are objective and impartial.

Tangible Awards for Each Variety

We also included Amy in our suggestions for the tangible awards. Our previous thoughts had been for two, walnut plaques, with 24 brass plates each, for display at the national from year to year. These would stay in the Club's possession.

The two 24-plate wooden plaques (Hodge's Badge Company) cost approximately \$350 total.

- 10-1/2" x 13" Walnut Award Plaque
- Top plate measures 8" x 2-1/2"
- Top plate can be engraved with 5 lines of text, 48 characters per line
- Includes 24 small plates underneath top plate
- Small plate can be engraved with 2 lines of text, 24 characters per line

In addition, the recipient in each variety would receive a 2 1/2" high pewter medallion created by Rick Lingenfelter as a memento with a detachable plate to engrave with the recipient's name and the year. One medallion would be a rough head study and the other medallion, a smooth head study. Each would be mounted on felt and framed (included in the medallion price).

- 30 pewter medallions (15 in each variety)
- Design and Sculpting....\$200
- Mold and Tooling.....\$225
- Medallions 30 @ \$25 each...\$750
- Total cost will be \$1,175

Funding would need to be CCA BOD approved at a one-time cost of \$1,525 total for awards covering fifteen (15) years. The per-year cost is \$51 each for a rough and a smooth Breeder of the Year award.

Conclusion & Accolades

The current committee members who volunteer to participate with the newly appointed committee members will begin promoting participation in the rough & smooth breeders of the year as soon as the new committee members are chosen.

I sincerely appreciate all the hard work my committee members contributed to create this new award. They never gave up! Instead they overcame the many obstacles that no one else had previously to develop a "percentage based conformation" award that also included other important aspects vital to the future of our beautiful collies. I thank them all from the bottom of my heart for their ingenuity and teamwork.

BREEDER OF THE YEAR, CHAIRMAN – AMY GAU

Having been asked if I would be willing to serve as chair for the Breeder of the Year committee for CCA, I am providing a brief bio below that may be of use in that position. I would be honored to work with the existing BOY committee to set up the next step and new committee to go forward and implement the newly approved plan for our club's Breeder of the Year Award.

I grew up with collies and from the time I left home for school, my family planned our reunions at dog shows. I began my interest in the dog sport on the performance side as that was my dad's love but have spent most of the last 34 years in multiple areas of the sport and breeding on a small scale. While most of my showing has been in conformation, I still train on the performance side with an occasional trip into a ring.

I have always been involved in the club side of the sport as well. I am a member of both CCA and my local collie club, Collie Club of Minnesota, and served as a CCA DD for many years and as an officer in CCM. I am a member of the Rochester MN Kennel Club where I am the current All-breed show chair and president. On the business side, I am a consulting project manager managing many small and large projects including many with volunteer staff.

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE UPDATE

As you may know by now the board voted to proceed with moving forward to utilized Constant Contact enabling the club to better serve you it's members with information. The cost of this was to be \$720 per year and then then discounted 15% bringing the total for the year down to \$612 creating a nice savings for the club. Upon setting up the account Constant Contact offered us an additional 15% off for the first year because we are not for profit organization. This is excellent news for us financially!

At this time we are working to upload the membership lists so that we can start utilizing this service as soon as possible. The committee is also meeting to set guidelines for submission for materials to be sent out. This will be things such as making information we receive in a email ready format, so that it can be easily dropped into the email or attached as a document and sent quickly.

We look forward to this exciting new path in which to engage with the membership!

Lenell Nix
Communications Chair

ADDITIONAL MEMBER TO THE COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

Greetings all!

We are officially up and running utilizing Constant Contact as our provider for emails services in regards to communications with our membership. While establishing our database of email addresses it occurred to me that maintaining the membership lists goes hand in hand with our goals. Considering this idea, I spoke with Judy Guthrie today and asked if she would come on board our committee. I have also learned that Judy has had prior experience with Constant Contact and can offer a valuable insight within our scope of work. Judy and I both feel excited about the direction of communications within the club as well as how with the addition of her knowledge could streamline workflow within both the Communications Committee and the Membership Committee!

With the above stated, I would respectfully ask that Judy Guthrie be place into discussion as a member for the Communications Committee in the next available communique.

Sincerely,

Lenell Nix
Communications Committee Chair

AKC/EUKANUBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

The AKC/Eukanuba National Championship (AENC) returns December 12-13, 2015 to Orlando's Orange County Convention Center. Already one of the world's premiere dog events, the 2015 event will offer all-breed competitions, specialty competitions and special attractions, breeder seminars, the AKC Agility Invitational and AKC Obedience Classic, junior events, consumer attractions and of course the crowning of a new National Champion.

Paula Clairday, FL DD, has volunteered to again chair the "Meet the Breeds" booth at this event for the CCA in 2015. Her group of volunteers are normally have a set up budget from the CCA of \$500.

MOTION: I, Paula Clairday, offer to chair the AKC/Eukanuba National "Meet the Breeds" booth for the CCA on December 12-13, 2015. We request a budget allowance of \$500 to help with the expenses. A report and pictures will be provided to the CCA after the event.

I, Jane Clymer, will second to this motion.

BIOS – DAL POSITION (to complete 2015 – 2016 Term)

JUDY B. GUTHRIE RESUME

To: CCA Executive Committee & District Directors

Since 2005 I have served as the Collie Club of America's Assistant Secretary of Show Permissions & Trophies. . . In a few weeks, I will be handing that job over to Kathy Drabik of Virginia. I feel confident that Kathy will continue in my footsteps of having 100% of the CCA clubs report their specialty shows to the parent club as required by AKC. Also, as I have done, work with our Loving Cup supplier and to continue to ship, on a timely manner, a beautiful cup free of defects.

In April of 2014, I took over as Chairperson for the CCA Membership Committee. We went right to work on reworking the Application for CCA Membership form. This form and a new reinstate form were approved by the EC in December 2014. Now that we are moving toward reduction of the board and DD's having more territory – I believe this form should be revamped. There are plans in the works to have that done by years end. There are plans to have the database updated by years end.

As I said in my resume of 2014, I believe the Membership Committee is the heartbeat of our club. That is why I believe the chairperson of this committee should sit on the board and what better way than to be a Director at Large. The definition of a DAL is one that takes on a special job at the President's request. Our Constitution defines the DAL position as representing the broader interests of the entire Club Membership. As your Membership Chairperson, I have not hesitated to pick up the phone and speak directly to our members. Many have expressed surprise that someone from the CCA thought enough about their membership to speak to them one on one.

During the transition of the board reduction, I believe that the CCA will need someone that possesses my business sense and skills – I work daily using Microsoft Word, Excel and Publisher. Not to mention I have run several companies that had up to 10 employees work with me. At present, I own and rent out a 7000 sq. ft. office building and I have an antique/visual merchandise business that I run.

I hope that with my business experience coupled with already having served the CCA in several positions you will approve me to fill the Director at Large position.

Thanking you in advance.

I am,

Judy B. Guthrie

SUZY ROYDS RESUME

After acquiring my first Collie in 1974 and attending a puppy match I met Helga Kane, and I immediately joined the South Bay Collie Fanciers. The club was newly forming at the time, and in the process of applying to AKC for Sanctioning as a recognized Collie Club for the purpose of holding Sanctioned Puppy Matches and Collie Specialty Shows. This was an exciting time for me and I was onboard throughout the whole process. I have been and am an active member of South Bay Collie Fanciers, and have held positions throughout the years including President, Secretary, and currently I am Corresponding Secretary for the club. I've also been an active member throughout the years in the planning of educational events as well as AKC Sanctioned Specialty Shows for our club.

I am also currently a member in good standing with the CCA, as well as a member of the Quarter Century Group. I have also always been an active participant in the Southern California District CCA, keeping informed and participating in District voting issues within the CCA through communication with our District Director(s). I am very much involved with the SCCDCCA community and have also been an active volunteer in fundraising events for our group in the past.

I am currently in the process of applying for my Collie judging license with the AKC. I have completed the current requirements and intend to "give back to the Collie" in yet another way by participating in the future betterment of our breed by recognizing and awarding the efforts of the breeders who keep our breed in the best hands.

At this time in my life I have the ability and the desire to commit my time and efforts where my heart lies. I would very much appreciate the opportunity to serve the CCA in the capacity of DD or DAL.

Thank you for your consideration,

Suzy Royds
Skyview Collies
310-738-0998
SkyviewCollies@yahoo.com

PHYLLIS AUTREY RESUME

Throughout the years since getting my first collie in 1963, I have been involved in several local collie clubs and held various offices. In 1964 I joined the Mason-Dixon Collie Club which was quite large at that time, and learned how clubs actually function when a group of people with the same love and passion work together for the common good. It also provided my first opportunity to work as part of the show committee on the national specialty, which Mason-Dixon hosted in 1968. Having lived in Pittsburgh for three years in the early 70's, I was a member of the Collie Club of Western Pennsylvania, published its newsletter, *Ruff Stuff*, and worked on another national specialty hosted by CCWP in 1974.

With the mid-70's came a move to Dallas, Texas and membership in the North Texas Collie Club, of which I am now a life member. I served as CCA District Director for North Texas for many years and also as Secretary of NTCC. Again, valuable experience was gained when I served on the show committee for the 1977 national specialty hosted by North Texas Collie Club. As District Director, planned and organized many ways and means events for our yearly CCA District Tournaments.

I made a move back to the east coast in 2006, joined the Piedmont Collie Club and now serve as its Corresponding Secretary.

During the 31 years spent in Dallas, I also served on several CCA committees, including the Ethics Committee and Trophy Committee, as well as serving as Vendor Chairman or co-Chair for numerous national specialties. I am currently serving as Vendor Liaison to the CCA National Show Committee. I also wrote monthly articles for *Collie Cues* magazine for many years, and have also written for *Collie Expressions* magazine.

I became an AKC judge in 1978, and my professional career for over 45 years was spent in the legal field as a legal assistant.

I believe well-rounded experience can be of benefit serving as Director at Large, and I would welcome the opportunity to be involved in this manner. That I received a 50-year membership award at this year's national in Oklahoma City should say a lot, and especially that I love the Collie Club of America.

CCA JUNIOR INTERN RESUMÉ

To join Junior Showmanship Committee – Bree Anne Ardizzone. Below is Bree Anne Ardizzone's resume to become part of the internship program for Showmanship.

My name is Bree Anne Ardizzone and I am a junior at the State University of New York College at Potsdam. I am close to earning my Bachelor of Science in the field of Biology with a minor in Chemistry and I am planning to graduate in the spring of 2016. With this degree I am planning to go to pharmacy school. I balance my time between school and dog shows.

As a former very active showmanship exhibitor, I qualified to show in juniors at Eukanuba and at the Westminster Kennel Club shows. I was ranked amongst the Top Five collie handlers for six years, including my rank of Number 1 in 2010. Other rankings include #1 junior handler in New York State (2008), #9 Herding junior (2009), #2 Herding Junior (2010), and #20 Overall Junior. I also participated in New York State's 4-H program for grooming and handling, where I received two blue ribbons, and was Grand Champion of the Level C division which is the highest level of handlers; 2010.

Since aging out of showmanship, I am often sought by juniors to host small handling clinics at specialties. I have done this at the CC of WPA specialties, the Connecticut specialties, and the CC of ME specialties. I have worked with junior handlers outside the ring if they ask me a particular question. I have also been asked to teach at the PHA handling clinic, as well as teaching at the CCA handling seminar since 2010. When I was 17, the Syracuse Obedience Training Club began a Junior Club to promote the dog fancy and sports to youth around the Central New York area. That first year, I was the President of the Junior Club and then later became an advisor when I was 18. I assist with the junior ringside handling clinic at the CCA National annually and gave a presentation to juniors on sportsmanship and showmanship at this year's annual CCA Junior meeting in Oklahoma City.

Collies are my passion and I want the future of the breed to be protected. I feel my qualifications and experiences can be tapped to guide the future of our breed, and its juniors to become productive members of the fancy.

BIO - CCA SHOW PERMISSIONS & LOVING CUPS – KATHY DRABIK

My name is Kathy Drabik and I started in collies in the mid 80's. I show and breed collies under the prefix name of Westwood. I am married with 2 children and 5 grandchildren. I own my own business and look forward to retiring in 2018.

I have been a member of Columbus Collie Club in the 80's and held office and served as show chairman.

I am currently a member of East Tennessee Collie Club and currently serve as Club Treasurer. I am also a member of Chesapeake Club and Central Jersey Collie Club. I have been in the CCA over 25 years and a member of the Quarter Century Club. I am currently the CCA Virginia District Director.

I am looking forward to helping out as Trophy Chair for our 2018 upcoming National. I am also proud to be a member of "Take The Lead".

I currently help out the CCA Bulletin, sending out copies where needed and those that wish to purchase back issues.

I will be happy to take on the job of our CCA Loving Cups.

PROPOSAL FOR NEW CCA CHALLENGE TROPHY

From the National Trophy Committee:

We request approval for a memorial challenge trophy (description & photo below) in memory of Al Forthal of Shoreham Collies, to be awarded for Breeder of Best American Bred (Rough), at the Collie Club of America National Specialty Show beginning at CCA 2016. The trophy w/case will be fully funded through donations from the family and friends of Al Forthal.

Thank you,
Heather Newcomb & Kelly Neeley

CCA NATIONAL CHALLENGE TROPHY (valued at \$2000.00)

Breeder of Best American Bred (Rough) - THE AL FORTHAL MEMORIAL TROPHY, Bronze on a wood base by Rick Lingenfelter.

This National Challenge Trophy is donated through the Collie Club of America, Inc. through the generosity of family and friends of Al Forthal. This will be awarded at the National Specialty Show only. For permanent possession it must be won three (3) times by the same owner not necessarily with the same dog or at consecutive shows.

All winners of all National Challenge Trophies must sign a contract before taking possession of any trophy.



The Al Forthal Memorial Trophy

Proposal from Mike & Debbie Van Tassell and Helene Forthal:

This original Rick Lingenfelter sculpture made its debut at the 2010 CCA in memory of Al Forthal and was retired at the 2014 National.

Al was very talented at many things, including making sculptures of his own from various mediums. His true talent, however, was breeding champion Collies and racing pigeons along with his wife Helene.

Those of us who have admired Al's accomplishments, or are appreciative of his contributions to our breed, are petitioning to offer a challenge trophy in his honor for Breeder of Best American Bred (Rough) at our annual National Specialties beginning at CCA 2016. The trophy, pictured, by Rick Lingenfelter, will be a re-cast of the original bronze depicting 3 Collies along with 3 pigeons, valued at \$2000. Included will be a secure case from Star Case Company for its safe passage National to National /person to person.

CCA 2018 HOST SHOW COMMITTEE MEMBERS *(ADDITIONAL MEMBERS TO BE PRESENTED IN NEXT COMMUNIQUE')*

Lori Montero: Merchandise Chair / Announcer

One might say, I was 'born into Collies'. I can't remember a time when there wasn't a Rough Collie in our home. I learned to walk by holding onto the hair in the middle of our foundation bitch's back and my Dad still has the 'tack' box I won at the age of 4!

First litter bred in 1989, and since then have owned, co-owned, bred, co-bred and/or handled over 20 rough and smooth champions. Our collies have been successful in both the breed and performance (obedience, rally, herding) venues.

Applied in 2009 and in 2010 was granted regular status to judge the breed. Currently have provisional status for limited juniors.

Member, Collie Club of America and have served the organization as:

Membership Chairman
PayPal Coordinator
Realignment Committee, Chairman
Merchandise Chairman - 2007 and 2010 National specialty shows
Announcer - 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015 National specialty shows

Member, Collie Health Foundation and have served the organization as:

Newsletter Editor
Secretary
Board of Director
Corporator

Member, East Tennessee Collie Club

Member, Mason-Dixon Collie Club

Member, South Jersey Collie Club

Michael & Judy Pitt: Reserved Grooming

Bio for Judy Pitt

I have been a CCA member for 28 years and have worked with several nationals over the years. I chaired the Top Twenty three times and have also worked along side other committee members on decorations. I was a member of the Collie Club Of Maryland for many years and am currently a member of The Piedmont Collie Club. During my membership in the Maryland club I held several positions over the years including President and during my years in that club I worked as show secretary and assisted with producing many educational seminars. I am comfortable with the demands, restrictions and sense of cooperation required to be part of the working committee putting together the CCA. Together with my husband Michael we are committed to working with the 2018 CCA Show committee and have plans that we feel will provide a safe and comfortable "home away from home" for both dogs and exhibitors at the 2018 CCA.

Bio for Michael Pitt

I am a current member of the Piedmont Collie Club and have served as a board member and assisted the club with making our specialty show successful. Although I am semi-retired at present my work over the years has always been in public service either as a police officer or paramedic. I became a member of the CCA about 6-7 years ago and while in Tennessee along with my wife Judy was a founding sponsor of the Summertime Puppy Classic. I'm hoping my people skills will enable me together with Judy provide a friendly, efficient and comfortable environment for dogs and people at the 2018 CCA.

Jim & Judy Smotrel: Agility co-chairs

Bio for Jim Smotrel

In 1984 I got my first Collie "Bart". He was a very special dog with great enthusiasm and a zest for learning. His attitude was the catalyst that pulled me into a variety of dog activities, and is the primary reason that I am so involved in these activities today. I am a member of the board of directors of our local obedience club, regularly teach obedience classes for the club, and teach agility classes in the summer.

I have shown a number of Collies in agility. My previous agility Collie "Rocky" was the third Collie in the country to complete a MACH. My current collie "Slater" recently completed his MACH10, Century FAST and PACH titles. In addition to agility, I have shown in breed and competed in obedience, rally, herding, tracking and flyball. I am a retired nuclear engineer.

Biography for Judy Smotrel

I have been actively involved with training and trialing dogs since I got my first collie in 1980. I quickly became active in our local obedience club. I have been an obedience instructor since 1984, and I also teach agility classes in the summer. I have competed with my collies in breed, obedience, rally, herding and agility. My current collie "Mica" recently completed his MACH. I am a retired college math professor. We both started judging dog agility in 1991 with the NCDA (now UKC dog

agility). In 1996 we became licensed agility judges for the AKC. In addition, we have been evaluators for TDI for 24 years and frequently do therapy dog visits with our Collies.

Mike Esch: Treasurer

I have been a Collie Club of America member since 1978. I was President for the CCA from 2000-2004 and have been Club Treasurer for the last eleven years.

I work for Church & Dwight, Inc., a mid-cap consumer product company. Our brand names include Arm & Hammer, Trojan, Nair, Oxiclean, Close Up, Pepsodent, Simply Saline, Orajel, First Response, Trojan, Spinbrush and Xtra among others. I am responsible for the world-wide supply chain. I manage a \$1.2 billion dollar budget with a headcount of 3,520 people across 12 plants and 7 countries. I am responsible for setting budgets, managing assets and working to provide excellent service for our customers.

I have been show chair for three CCA Nationals and show treasurer for five other CCA Nationals. I am currently scheduled to be the Treasurer for the 2015, 2016 and 2017 nationals as well. I am licensed to judge Collie and Shelties and am a lifetime member of the Central States Collie Club. I judged Bitches at the 2013 CCA National.

I would love to be the Treasurer with the 2018 national and help out in any other areas that I can.

Herding Chair: Charlotte Holzman

I have had Collies for over forty years and joined the CCA with the encouragement of my mentors. My involvement with performance started early on, with a puppy of Wickmere breeding. I have shown sparingly in breed. I have participated in obedience and had one Collie quickly earn her CD. Currently I am training in rally and herding with an avid herder -- who is from a conformation line. I am a member of the Mason Dixon Collie, was Trial Chair for the two Eastern Herding Regionals and worked on a local dog days all breed event for several years.

Before retiring, I was involved in marketing, writing, and many communication projects. I wrote the first draft of the Herding Trial Primer for the WCC and serve as the Bulletin coordinator for performance events, assuring that trial results are provided and working with other CCA members to get articles on performance. I also do some acrylic painting and enjoy painting animals.

Trophies Chair: Kathy Drabik with assistance from John Buddie

My name is Kathy Drabik, and I am currently the District Director for Virginia. Coincidentally, when I took the job as DD, our Zone was up for bid presentation for the 2018 CCA national specialty. I presented the idea to submit a bid to hold the national in our state, and the members readily agreed and were excited about the prospect.

I was very proud when we received approval, and I am happy to take on the show position of Trophy Chair for the Virginia Beach national with assistance from my good friend, John Buddie and other enthusiastic members.

My past experience as a collie club member of East TN, Chesapeake and Northern NJ and as raffle and trophy chair for these clubs has provided the experience I feel I need to do a good job for CCA 2018.

Logo: Joyce Dowling

Drawing and painting has been a part of my life since childhood. I have never had professional training....it is just a gift from God. I did a little painting just for pleasure in high school, but didn't work on anything after marriage and two wonderful sons. It was only a number of years ago when I did a few things for the Chesapeake Collie Club that my time and interest brought me back to painting. I love doing things for friends and clubs. Being asked to do the logo for the 2018 CCA is such an honor and I hope all will be pleased with my efforts.

Reserved Seating Co-Chair & Vendor Co-Chair: Judy Guthrie

I presently serve the CCA as Membership Chairperson & for a few more weeks as Asst. Secretary of Show Permissions & Trophies.

I am proud to say that I co-chaired the Reserve Seating Committee in 1998 for the extremely successful CCA National that was held in Virginia Beach. Since 1986, I have attended all but 4 Nationals and am very familiar with the types of vendors and how they are set up at the national show.

As a member of my local club (Central Virginia Collie Club), I have served at our independent specialty as: Show Chairperson many times, Show Secretary, Raffle Chairperson, Grounds Chairperson and Chief Ring Steward.

I look forward to working with the 2018 Virginia Beach National Committee to make this a very successful & profitable show.

Facilities Chair: Bill Holland

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WILLIAM M. "BILL" HOLLAND

OBJECTIVE

Facility Coordinator for The Collie Club of America 2018 National

WORK OF EXPERIENCE

[1967-2000] [City of Virginia Beach Municipal Government]
[Virginia Beach, VA.]
Public Safety Communications Officer (1967-1971)
Convention Facilities Manager for The Virginia Beach Convention and Visitors Bureau (1971-2000)
[Hired in 1967 under the Fire & Rescue Service]
(Transferred to CVB as Administrative Aide in 1971 and assigned to the Civic Center)
(Promoted to Civic Center Coordinator in 1975)
(CVB reorganized in 1979; served on the planning staff for the new Virginia Beach Convention Center -- became Assistant to the CVB Director)
(CVD reorganized & expanded in 1992 -- became Convention Facilities Manager)
(Received Professional Certification from the International Association of Venue Managers in 1995)

EDUCATION

[1972-1979] [Tidewater Community College] [Virginia Beach, VA]
[*Accounting--Management*]
[completed courses in accounting and management]

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

[1969-1983 - volunteered for Emergency Medical Services Division & assigned to Rescue #14 -- received life member designation]
(2000 - became an Administrative Member of Rescue 14 -- assigned to Honor Guard Detail)

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

[1967 - joined the Masonic Fraternity, completed all degrees)
(2000 - joined the Scottish Rite and the Khedive Shrine)

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

[1961 - was licensed by the FCC as an amateur radio operator]
(Member of the American Radio Relay League, Quarter Century Wireless Assn., Virginia Beach
Amateur Radio Group, USS Wisconsin Radio Group)

The following to be presented in the next Communique'.

Reserved Seating Co-Chairs: Terry Jennings
Vendors Co-Chairs: Terry Jennings
Chief Ring Steward: Linda Tefelski
Rally Chair: Richella Veatch
Obedience Chair: Carolynne Rose

SHINING STAR COMMITTEE – ANN BOLES

To: Collie Rescue Clubs

It is not too soon to think about the Collie Club of America National Specialty of 2016 and the Shining Star Award. The Shining Star Award is not a competition, it's a way we can recognize the accomplishments that our amazing collies have achieved. It is impossible to pick one winner among so many accomplished dogs. That is why we pick one ambassador each year and all recipients are recognized and invited to attend a special ceremony at CCA 2016.

This award is open to any collie who works as a service dog, therapy dog, or who has done a good deed for his family or community.

We are making a special appeal to our collie rescue community. There are many dogs that qualify for this award and we would love to hear their stories. Many of our rescue collies have made an important impact to their family as well as to their community. We would love to hear their stories.

Application to this award is simple, send a copy of their story and a photo to us.
There are some guidelines on CCA's website.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call.

Ann Boles
Breakaway67@aol.com

NEW MEMBERS AND REINSTATES –MAY 2015

New Members

USA

CA-N Carrisa & Sandra Nowinski, 469 1/2 Curie Dr, San Jose, CA, 95123-4925, xxpreciousinked1xx@comcast.net

Sponsor: Mary Wells (CA-N) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 1 yr. While they were looking for a puppy

Sponsor: Dorothy Hull (CA-N) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 6 mos. CCNC function

Occupation: insurance broker

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? Have a new collie & plan to do performance sports.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Liked breed for performance parts. Got puppy from breeder, and Corinne Boon in Washington.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? Bitches? 1 Altered? Yes Do you own any other breeds? Yes, Pembroke corgi/chocolate lab

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 0 Collie litters? 0

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? no Performance events? In the future

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held.

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA?

CA-N Ian Patrick Rajczi, 1955 Kobara Lane, San Jose, CA, 95124, 408.335.4273, irajcai@gmail.com

Sponsor: Mary Wells (CA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 2 months We met at our CCNC show. He will be joining our club.

Sponsor: William K. Brokken, MD (CA) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 6+ months We have corresponded several times by email re his previous collie and another to replace---responsible young man.

Occupation: software engineering manager

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? I grew up with them all my life and wouldn't be without them.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Mary Wells of Blossom Hill Collies

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 2 Bitches? 2 Altered? Do you own any other breeds? No

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 0 Collie litters? 0

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? yes Performance events? no

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Pending CCNC

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? No

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Software development

MI Dawn Thornton, 7935 Richardson Rd, West Bloomfield, MI, 48323, 248.701.0552, dawnthrn@yaho.com

Sponsor: Christie Murphy (MI) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 3 years purchased and co-own bitch w/her

Sponsor: Helen Naum Gill (MI) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 3 years, purchased a bitch from my friend. We've gone to many dog shows together

Occupation USPS mail carrier

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? I have been showing in formation since 1988 with my Basenjis and now with my collie and would like to do the same. Help at local specialties if needed.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Christy Murphy

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? Bitches? 1 Altered? Do you own any other breeds? Yes, Basenji

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 1 Collie litters? 1

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? yes Performance events?

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? Basenji Club of Greater Detroit member, (used to be)

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held.

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? No

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Not sure

NJ Ronald J. Sherr, 155 Church St. East, Edgewater Park, NJ, 08010-1401, 609.505.0409, djrocknron@aol.com (joining his wife's membership to convert from her single to a joint membership)

Sponsor: Pearl Friedman (NJ) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 12 years as a valuable member of SJCC

Sponsor: Jill Venturo (NJ) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? Ron and I met through the South Jersey Collie Club approx 12 years ago. Ron has been an active and dedicated member of the club

Occupation: o/o BridgeMusico Entertainment Business

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? To help promote the responsible car and breeding of this beautiful breed

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: through my wife, Laura M. Sherr

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 Bitches? 3 Altered? Dog Do you own any other breeds? no
Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 1 Collie litters? 1
Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? yes Performance events? no
Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no
Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. South Jersey Collie Club since 2004, webmaster
Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no
What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? Computer and photography

Foreign

Canada Ashley Rae Williams Schnurer, RR#1 Site #1 Box #10, Millet, Alberta, TOC 120, Canada, 708.352.7440, tanellyll@hotmail.com

Sponsor: Susan Bertrand (Canada) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? For three years, through collies. Ashley is a SUPER PERSON!

Sponsor: Renee Holtkamp (Canada) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 5 years, collies

Occupation: recently resigned as a sheriff to be a human/collie mom full time

Why do you want to be a member of the CCA? I would like to join the CCA to grow and learn more as a (sic) exhibitor, breeder and collie enthusiast. I look forward to being surrounded by and learning from such talented and knowledgeable people.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: I have owned and loved collies for 25 years and shown collies for the past nine years. Under the tutelage of Nancy Anstruther, I have grown to love and understand our breed even more.

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 1 Bitches? 3 Altered? 1 Do you own any other breeds? no

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: 1 Collie litters? 1

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? Yes Performance events? yes

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? No

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Member of Canadian Kennel Club

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? NO

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? I am a hard worker and I am interested in volunteer work.

Reinstatement

USA

NC Randolph E. and Karen C. Jackson, PO Box 2763, Monroe, NC, 28111, 704.635.7905, trumpetercollies@aol.com, past members 1997-2001, 2007, 2009, 2010

Occupation Retired

Why do you want to be reinstated as a member of the CCA? We want the benefits of being a CCA member and have the support in the collie community.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Mary O'Connor

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? 4 Bitches? 5 Altered? Do you own any other breeds? no

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: Collie litters? 2

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? Yes Performance events? no

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Yes, NC Jaycees, Piedmont Collie Club

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? A people persons organizationally, computer

PA Irene Clarke Lackman and James S. Lackman, 591 Brighton Way, Phoenixville, PA, 19460, 484.924.9939, irene.lackman@aol.com, past CCA member 2003-2009

Sponsor: Mary Mulhern (ME) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? 16 years, Collie Club of Maine

Sponsor: Barbara Corriveau (NH) Has known applicant for how long & under what circumstances? I have known Iren for 16 years. She has had 2 of my puppies and is an excellent dog owner

Occupation Ballet Instructor

Why do you want to be reinstated as a member of the CCA? I was a former member Family illness-I forgot to renew because family illness & death. I've been in collies for over 20 years.

Explain what and/or who got you started in Collies: Mary Anne Sullivan – we were at Volhardt Camp years ago – in Utility – I had a German Shepherd who I just Collies – Now have been in Collies 20 years+

Number of Collies owned. Dogs? Bitches? Altered? Do you own any other breeds?

Number of litters bred (all breeds) in past 5 years: Collie litters?

Do you show your dogs in Conformation events? yes Performance events? yes

Have you ever sold dogs to a commercial outlet? no

Member of what local or national clubs & offices held. Collie Club of Maine (16 years), Suburban DTC Philadelphia PA (2 yrs), Formerly VPres Shrewsbury DTC & Concord DTC –Concord MASS OB Trial

Have you ever been suspended or expelled from or refused membership in CCA, AKC, or any other dog club? no

What special skills (including computer) do you have that might be helpful to the CCA? I dance Freestyle with my collies, I do regular Therapy dog work TDI International

RESULTS – Vote via phone on May 7, 2015

Total Attending: 37

Those not attending: Joann Romero, Paula Clairday, En Harriet Chang, Isabel Ososki, Susan Kaelin, Susan Martin, Laura Langham-Sotoodeh, Joan Kirkland, Greg Ungano, James Holliday, Betty Abbott, Joanne Huff, Jane Armatys, John Geddes, Hiroshi Tojo, Mike Esch.

COMMUNIQUE' APRIL 2015 - MINUTES MEETING – to call for vote on Ballot items closing May 7, 2015

The meeting was called to order by President Mike Van Tassell at 7 PM MST. A roll call was done with 36 members on the call. Randy Smith joined before the meeting was concluded.

For Vote: The Secretary was asked to read each item before it was voted upon.

1. The President presents for approval the New Members and Reinstates (unpaid longer than one year and less than five years) from Membership.

A. Courtney Dowling, AK	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
B. Lindsey Dowling, AK	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
C. Lorie Burmood, AZ	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
D. Ruth A. Pietrowski, CA N	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
E. Nancy Sandler, CA S	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
F. Donie Schwartz, CO	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
G. Becky Brooks, FL	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
H. Mary Ann Campbell, FL	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
I. Beverly Guenther, FL	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
J. Diane Markley, KS	A. Approve <u>35</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>1</u>
K. James Markley, KS	A. Approve <u>35</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>1</u>
L. Dr. Patti K. Allen, KY	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
M. Misty L. Frazey, NE	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
N. Corinne L. Boerth, NJ	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
O. Jennifer Carpenter, NJ	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
P. Karen Ann West, NY	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
Q. Shauna George, OR - Junior	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
R. Jennifer Mulligan, PA	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
S. Pamela Brand, PA	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
T. Susana Roland, PA	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
U. Cinthia Wheatcraft, TX	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
V. Terry Jennings, VA	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>
W. Terry Cox, WA	A. Approve <u>34</u>	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain <u>2</u>

X. Chloe Armatys, Australia	A. Approve __34__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __2__
Y. Robert Armatys, Australia	A. Approve __34__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __2__
Z. Antje Alberda, Netherlands	A. Approve __34__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __2__
AA. Tenny Perry, IL	A. Approve __34__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __2__
BB. Lynda Cox, IN	A. Approve __34__	B. Disapprove _____	D. Abstain __2__

A motion was made by Nancy Anstruther and seconded by Jan Storm to accept the entire slate with a unanimous vote. Motion passed. Change of vote from two DD's, is adjust in the above vote.

2. The President presents for approval the Treasurer's Reports presented by Mike Esch, Treasurer (February and March Financials).

A motion was made by John Buddie and seconded by Gayle Kaye to accept the Treasurer's report slate with a unanimous vote. Motion passed. A. Approve __36__ B. Disapprove __0__ C. Abstain _____

3. The President presents for approval the ratification of an Executive committee vote for \$250 to send David Hansen, Health Committee Chair to the National Parent Club Health Conference, August 8 & 9, 2015 in St. Louis MO. It is sponsored by the Nestle' Purina PetCare Company. Registration fee includes hotel accommodations Friday and Saturday nights (single occupancy) and meals Saturday morning through Sunday noon. All travel including to and from the airport, extra hotel nights, and incidental (room service, phone calls, etc.) are the responsibility of the attendee. The Conference begins at 1:30 PM on Friday, August 7 and ends at 1:00 PM on Sunday, August 9, 2015.

A motion was made by Martha Ramer and seconded by John Buddie to accept the motion with a unanimous vote. Motion passed. A. Approve __36__ B. Disapprove __0__ C. Abstain _____

4. The President presents for approval the the motion made by Donna Walle and seconded by Emily Berkley on March 30, 2015. The Communication Committee's "Constant Contact - Email Plus" offers the most features, with the ability to expand our communication options, better reach our members, and receive their input. I move that we utilize the Constant Contact - Email Plus online email provider for CCA communications.

A question was asked regarding the total cost of Constant Contact for a year...with the answer of \$720 per year. Discussion continued regarding the usage of the service for publication of the Newsletter and revisions of the Constitution. Linda Mabus brought up the matter of not all members having email and many of our senior members not using email all the time. It was then discussed that no charge would be extended to those with no email provided to the CCA and the notification would be mailed to them at no charge. As it was felt most members could printed off the emailed notifications at their own expense from their personal printers. Those still wishing a hard copy to be mailed to them would be charged a nominal fee to have a copy mailed directly to them. And idea was mentioned that maybe for those members wishing to commit to a hard copy that this billing payment be included with the Membership Renewal Form.

Phone recording was not recorded from this point to close of the meeting.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the motion with a unanimous vote. Motion passed.

A. Approve __37__ B. Disapprove __0__ C. Abstain _____

Before the meeting concluded, Emily Berkley and Nadine Beckwith-Olson asked to change their vote from unanimous on the voting item of new members. Those vote changes were recorded.

Motion to close the meeting was called for and agreed at 7:20 PM.