

**February 19, 2014**

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**Vote:** New Members & Reinstates  
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***Collie Club of America, Inc.  
2014 National Specialty  
“A Collie For All Seasons”  
April 5-12, 2014***

**Eastern States Exposition, Big E, W. Springfield MA**

**Meeting Notices – held during the National**

**CCA Annual Meeting on Tuesday night, April 8, 2014** at the show site prior to Welcome.

**CCA Board Meeting** on 30 minutes after judging and before the Invitational on **Wednesday, April 9, 2014**. Exact locations within the show site will be announced as more information is available.

**All NEW Board members are encouraged to attend. Both meetings are open to the membership.**

**CCA Dues**

**All members now reinstating after the February 1<sup>st</sup> date, will have the \$15 fee automatically assigned. If you have any questions please contact, Membership Chair, Lori Montero at [CCofAMembership@gmail.com](mailto:CCofAMembership@gmail.com). Please note that PayPal is available for your use.**

**If your dues are not paid, you will not be receiving the March Bulletin. Cost to receive a copy will be \$8.00.**

**President's Message**

Directors please remember to tell your members to renew their memberships – you should have a list of your members from 2013 and can compare with the recent list of 2014.

Reservations are due soon for all events at the 2014 Springfield CCA – check the website for information.

In this Communique, you will find a ballot for Good Sportsmanship, vote for one only.

The realignment of the board is in limbo, I wish you well in your quest to compact the board.

**REMEMBER**

Clothes/shoes, for the "Jackets for Juniors" booth in Springfield.

State basket or items for your state basket

**Pati**

## Secretary's Message

We have added the new Board members to the CCADD list, but can see not all have clicked to join the group. If a new DD is taking your place on the Board, please inform them they need to activate this membership so they will be included to view the discussions before their official position begins at the National.

If you are coming to the National please contact me privately and I would like to get a **cell phone number**, too. Please note the **Board Meeting** will be held after judging on Wednesday between the end of judging and the beginning of the Invitational. All new Board members are encouraged to attend.

We are asking all Board members to attend the Annual Meeting on Tuesday evening and please spread the word to your own members coming to the National.

For those attending, please double check to meet the last-minute deadlines for events such as seating arrangements, catalogs, catalog ads, reservations to banquets and signing up for the seminars.

Michelle Esch-Brooks is planning on distribution of the 2013 Yearbook; please check the CCA table for her available times for distributing. There will be membership applications available if you need them and information on the 2014 Herding Regionals.

The group hosting CCA 2015 will be on hand so that you will be able to sign up for trophy donations. I'm sure they are hoping you will all be able to attend the event in Oklahoma City next spring.

If you can give some time to help at the tables at this year's Nationa, it would be appreciated. If you see something that should be addressed, even picking up trash, please pitch in. This is YOUR National specialty.

See you all soon,

*Janie*

## End of the Year Reports

All of the End of the Year Reports were sent to Michelle Esch-Brooks for the 2013 Yearbook. Those committees submitting reports were: Public Relations, Judges Education, Committee Reports, Constitution, National Show Chairs, CCA Film Library, Ethics Committee, Breed Education, Breeder of the Year, AKC Delegates Report, Junior Showmanship Report, CCA Versatility and Herding Instinct Certification, Working Collie, CCA Regional Herding Trials, ROM Committee, Show Permissions and Trophies, CCA Website, Bulletin, and Tellers Committee.

## Good Sportsmanship Award

We have two nominees for the Good Sportsmanship Award for 2014. Please read through the following letters and send them on to your members for their votes.

Thank You All,  
The Good Sportsmanship Award committee.

### Frances Flaim

1. I would like to nominate Frances Flaim of Qualteri Collies for the Good Sportsmanship Award. Frances has competed in Junior Showmanship for nine years. She is a young lady who exemplifies the characteristics that make up good sportsmanship; kindness, consideration, honesty, friendliness, fairness and sensitivity. Frances loves children and is always willing to help the younger participants in learning how to make improvements in their handling skills. In 2012 Frances was listed as the Number 1 Junior Handler in collies. Upon investigating the statistics for her wins and discovering that the statistics were wrong she sought to give credit to the true Number 1 Junior. She did not wish to be honored as the top ranked Junior as she knew this was wrong. She contacted the other Juniors and asked them to check their statistics also to be sure there were no other errors. I find this level of honesty and integrity to be commendable and I hope the Committee will as well.

Thank you for your consideration of Frances,

Suzanne Berggren, MSW, LSW

2. I am writing this letter to acknowledge the sportsmanship of Frances Flaim. Not many young people would go through the time and effort to correct the rankings of any competition, but she did. During the 2012 Top 20 Junior rankings there was an error and Frances worked to correct this even though it meant her position in the rankings would be lowered. She is an awesome reflection of what a good sport should be! She should be recognized for her good sportsmanship.

Sincerely, Lee Anderson

3. I am submitting this letter in support of Miss Frances Flaim's nomination for the 2013 CCA Good Sportsmanship Award. I have known Frances for about six years and have had countless opportunities to observe her at dog shows, training classes and Collie Club of Colorado activities. Frances is an energetic, cheerful and consistently helpful junior who is a credit to the collie and the sport of dog shows. Last year in particular, Frances showed her upstanding character with her persistent efforts to correct mistaken tabulations of juniors' points that wrongly showed her to be ranked #1 instead of her correct ranking as #2. More than that though, Frances is always a good sport, congratulating others sincerely and taking the inevitable losses in stride. She does not hesitate to offer grooming or handling tips to competitors. In addition to her dog show activities, Frances is a serious high school student managing a challenging International Baccalaureate program.

I am glad to know Frances and always look forward to seeing her at the shows. She is a bright light who will make a significant contribution to good sportsmanship in the years ahead.

Sincerely,  
Jan Baynton  
Maclen Collies

4. I am supporting Frances Flaim for the Good Sportmanship Award. Being the detailed oriented person that she is, as a competing junior, she kept meticulous records on Junior wins and placements, especially the Top 20 (not a small feat). When the rankings came out at the end of 2012, she was listed as #1. According to her records, she was #2 or #3. She could have left the rankings as they were, but being the good sportsman that she is, she brought the issue to the attention of the appropriate people to have the rankings corrected. Winning because of inaccurate record keeping is just not Francis's style. She can win on her own merits. Therefore, in my estimation, Francis should be the recipient of the Good Sportmanship Award.

Sincerely,  
Susan Phinney

### **Kathy Peters**

1. Kathy Peters truly does deserve the award. She has been a member and dedicated supporter of the CCA since the late 1960's. She has bred and shown collies for many years. She and her husband Gus were show chairmen for the Collie Club of New England Specialty show for many years and promoted education for that club. She has been very active member of the Quarter Century Club for many years as well. John Honig asked her to be CCA Librarian about 1970, and she has made this her life's project.

She undertook to catalogue all the CCA material, clean it, repair it, store it, and make it available to the members for their learning purpose for over 40 years. She used her own equipment and enormous amount of time and expense to make specialized movies about all kinds of subjects for not only the Collie Club of America, but also the AKC. She made a original grooming movie with Bill Trainor which is part of the AKC collection, and she was instrumental in making and updating the "DogSteps for Collies" movie on movement with Rachael Page Elliott.

The refurbishing, producing, and filming the movies about the history of the collie and the great kennels and breeders gives Kathy vent for her creative abilities and provides great satisfaction, but it also provides the CCA with the most extensive and rich history of our breed on film. Under Kathy's guidance CCA Library has become a treasure for our breed, and as far as I know the only "lending library" of its kind. How do you begin to thank someone for a devoted lifetime to our breed, and she really made a very real difference.

Thanks for your consideration.  
Judy Reynolds, CRB, CRS, CIPS, ABRM, E-PRO

2. I would like to nominate Kathleen Peters for The Good Sportsman Award.

Over the year Kathleen has spent countless hours making sure our breeds history is preserved for us. She recently help our club by donating her time and helping us put on a wonderful education seminar.

She is always there to help in whatever aspect she is able. She is dedicated to her work, and her efforts to educated newcomers. It is such an honor to know someone so will to help others.

Best Regards  
Leanne Bailey  
CCNE President

3. Joan, I would like to nominate Kathleen Peters for The Good Sportsman Award, no one person has done more for preserving the history of the collie, their Breeder's and their kennels. Kathy has stored volumes of materials, photo's and film,

interviewed narrated and often at her own expense restored and reformatted old 8 mm and VCR's and converted their history to DVDs so that we may all learn & enjoy the history our breed for generations to come.

Thank you for this consideration,

Dana Rodman

4. I would like to nominate Kathy Peters for the Good Sportsmanship Award.

Those who know Kathy know the devotion, time, thought and effort that she dedicates to the collie library is immeasurable. Her knowledge of and passion for restoring films has benefited all who enjoy the collie fancy. She continuously devotes her time and resources in the hope that many will enjoy her films for years to come. It is heartwarming to see someone give so much of herself, seeking nothing in return.

Without reservation, I give Kathy Peters my highest recommendation for the Good Sportsmanship Award.

Sincerely,

Patti Cox

#### **New Members and Reinstates –February 2014**

##### **USA**

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## REINSTATEMENT

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Sponsors: Ann Ferguson & Mary Cox Previous Years: 2005.

## Vote results January 16 Communique'

### BALLOT

This ballot must be received by the Secretary no later than **February 10, 2014**.

**Total Votes submitted: 41. Total Votes not submitted: 21**

**Not Voting: Les Canavan, John Buddie, Leah Warner, Ed Degner, Yvonne Evans-Wynn, Liza Dunkle, Nadine Beckwith-Olson, Susan Kaelin, Mary Catoir, Andrea Nelson, Pat Jung, Angie Gillespie, Alisa Pesek, Judie Evans, Lenell Nix, Barb Linder, Jim Holliday, Debbie Price, Joanne Huff, Shirley Perry, Hiroshi Tojo**

**1. The President presents for approval the New Members and Reinstates from Lori Montero, Membership Chair.**

**A. Approve \_\_40\_\_ B. Disapprove \_\_1\_ C. (I) approve all except\_1 C. Abstain \_1\_\_**

**2. The President presents for approval. The following details are provided to you for clarification by the Re-Alignment Committee.** The [Board/Zone] Realignment Committee has presented its proposal, based on geographical population density, for a more fair and equitable distribution of all voting members in an attempt to reduce the number of Board members. This has been examined, suggested and encouraged by the AKC so that our Board business can be conducted in a more timely manner and in accordance with AKC's suggested organizational structure (decision-makers not to exceed 20-25, including officers). Where the current distribution of members is based on "Districts (interpreted as "STATE"), we have some states where 10 members receives one vote and others where a state with 90 members receives 1 vote. The proposal by the Realignment Committee suggests 1 DD for every 100 to 200 members (that's establishing 1 DD to represent a range of 100 and up to 200 members which allows for growth in the newly realigned district); therefore, causing no problems with adding or subtracting directors – which equates to fairer representation – and, doesn't restrict a DD from appointing an assistant or two! *(Complete details of the proposal is in your November 2013 Communique'.)*

**Please choose between A or B - Mark only one choice. (This does not make it final - the whole membership would have to approve & AKC approval and the Constitution would need to reflect the change.)**

**A. Approve the suggestion of the Re-alignment Committee and move forward to present it to the membership.**

**A. Approve \_\_13\_\_ B. Disapprove \_\_8\_\_ C. Abstain \_\_2\_\_ No vote submitted 1**

**B. Continue to discuss the realignment proposal.**

**A. Approve \_\_21\_\_ B. Disapprove \_\_5\_\_ C. Abstain \_\_0\_\_ No vote submitted 1**