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On the cover. . .

- Multiple BISS, Multiple Group Winning GCHG Flo-Davi Star Spangled Glory ROM. Like a fine wine, Star keeps getting better and better. Her recent wins from the Veteran Class include:
- Best of Breed, Houston Chihuahua Club Specialty. Thank you Judge Rodney Merry
- Back to Back Best of Variety wins, Texas Chihuahua Club Specialties. Thank you judges Kathy Bucher Sawyer and James Fehring
- Back to Back Best of Breed wins, Dallas Chihuahua Club Specialties. Thank you judges Mary Napper and Alane Gomez.

**Breeders/Owners: Florence & David Davis
and Kirsten Potts**



Next ChiChatter
Deadline is August 15, 2016



Mission Statement

- **TO** encourage and promote quality in breeding of pure-bred Chihuahuas and if at all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection.
- **TO** encourage the organization of independent local Chihuahua Specialty clubs in those localities where there are sufficient fanciers of the breed to meet the requirements of the American Kennel Club.
- **TO** urge members and breeders to accept the standard of the breed as approved by the American Kennel Club as the only standard of excellence by which Chihuahuas owners shall be judged.
- **TO** do all in its power to protect and advance the interests of the breed and to encourage sportsman-like competition at dog shows and trials.
- **TO** conduct Sanctioned Matches, Specialty Shows, and Obedience Trials under the rules of the American Kennel Club.
- **TO** promote the qualities of The Chihuahua breed to the members and general public through publications, educational seminars, library data banks, etc.

Guidelines for Submitting Show Results & Photos

- Please submit show results for publication using the approved template / form designed for that purpose; if you don't have the form, just e-mail me at lafleurs.chis@gmail.com and I will send it to you.

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Guidelines for Plaques at Specialty Show

CCA will offer a **BOB** plaque (or **BOV** plaques) and a **HIT** plaque (if obedience is offered at the local specialty) to CCA Member Clubs for presentation at their specialties.

If notified by the member club in a timely manner; and if the CCA award(s) is published in the local member club's premium list, a copy of which must be received by the awards committee.

A letter, fax or email request for the CCA plaque(s) including the date of the event and the name and address of the individual responsible for obtaining/receiving the plaque MUST be received by the Awards Chair, Sandy St. John at 727-641-2032 email to kesacocker@aol.com well in advance of the events closing date. (We ask that you give at

least one month notice.)

A premium list for the member club's event MUST also be received by the Awards Committee (a premium proof is acceptable). The notice that the plaque(s) are being offered by CCA MUST be included in the events premium list even if it is a condensed premium list. If CCA's plaque(s) is not listed, NO plaque(s) will be mailed for the event.

It is the responsibility of each member Chihuahua Club to follow CCA's procedures for obtaining plaques for their specialty.

CCA member local clubs independent specialty, the CCA plaques will read: Chihuahua Club of America in recognition of Best of Breed at a local specialty.

CCA High in Trial plaques for member clubs independent events will read: Chihuahua Club of America in recognition of High in Trial at a local specialty.

CCA member local clubs specialty held in conjunction with an All-Breed show, two CCA plaques will be offered,

one for each variety. The plaques will read: Chihuahua Club of America in recognition of Best of Variety at a local specialty.

If a plaque(s) are offered, CCA will place an ad in the local clubs' catalogue wishing them a successful specialty and including the dates and locations of CCA upcoming specialties.

Once a year the Awards Committee using information from the current CCA membership roster will mail each local member club's secretary the requirements for obtaining CCA plaques for their specialty. The member clubs' procedure for obtaining the CCA plaques will be published in each Chi-Chatter.

If you are asking CCA to submit an ad for your catalog, you will need to contact the CCA Secretary, Marcy Blank 815-568-6450 or email to marcy@landschaftkennels.com

The billing for the catalog insert should go to CCA treasurer Kyle Potts, 16619 Fort Oswego St, San Antonio, TX 78247 or email kylepottstx@aol.com



From The President

Why do people stop volunteering in dog clubs? Why is it so difficult to find people to help out, even on the smallest task? The answers will vary from "I just don't have any time", to "I'm not showing any more so I don't have the interest", and then there is one that I was given very recently;" I don't want to be beat up like I see happening to the board". That last one made me sad to hear, but there is a ring of truth to it.

The election of officers and board of directors is becoming more and more difficult each year. I see the Nominating Committee calling for volunteers and encouraging people to step up. My own experience may serve as something to think about for those contemplating stepping up in the club.

Eight years ago I made the decision to run for a board position. I heard the current members speak of wanting to get off the board. They said they had done their time and they were tired. I accepted it as a fact and I thought that I had enough free time that I could help out. I did not come onto the board with an agenda in mind, and I had no thoughts of changing the club in one direction or the other. I really knew very little about what the board did, but everyone around me told me it wasn't difficult and didn't really take up much time. Now, either they weren't doing "it" correctly....or they flat out lied to me, because it is difficult and it does take time, if you do it correctly.

When I first was elected to the board, the board meetings were fairly quiet, we didn't have a lot going on in the club, and the biggest issue to hit towards the end of my term was the Breed Standard revision ballot. While there was some controversy swirling around that, it wasn't enough to cause me great concern because I was not in charge and it affected me minimally. Under the leadership at that time, the board operated with little or no input from the membership. Decisions were made and

not questioned, and no one complained about it. If there were members who were unhappy with the direction of the club, they didn't voice it much.

After four years on the board, I was ready to run for President. The President was stepping down and I was told that I was the next logical candidate for the job. I knew going into the role of President that there was one thing I wanted to see happen. I wanted to shift the bulk of the decisions that affected the club, back to the members and out of only the board's hands. It wasn't a shift of power per se, but more a concentrated effort to get more of the membership involved and to allow them more ownership in their club. It didn't take long for the members to start taking that ownership, and the results were for the most part, very exciting. The club moved forward in leaps and bounds with new avenues of giving time and talent, new opportunities for competition, and a way to increase the coffers of the club.

Putting the reins back in the member's hands would also bring a negative result to the table at times though. The people who stepped up and volunteered for the Board or for Committee Chair positions seemed to be under scrutiny at all times by a small group of members. Many times, every move was questioned, and Board members or Chairs were criticized publically, often on the internet on public forums. Some quit, choosing to not be subjected to the harassment. Others grew silent, so as to not draw any undue attention to themselves. As I watched this happen, it made me sad, and angry, and weary.

I understand why so few are willing to step forward. Praise is almost nonexistent. Helpful suggestions are not shared. Criticism flows freely and it can get quite ugly. Being President of a National Parent club is a tough, tough job. It is not one for the faint of heart. You are everyone's friend when you first come on board. Everyone thinks

that you will be the one to fix the (perceived) problems. Then after a little while, people start to figure out that they can't manipulate you to do things their way. They realize that you aren't going to look the other way when they act out. They don't like it when you are direct with them. They don't like it when you stand up for the little guy. All of a sudden you are the bad guy. You are the problem. Factions start working against you and fingers get pointed. Cliques start forming and misinformation is spread. The average member who is not involved in club leadership sees this, and they stay away. They don't want to have the fingers pointing at them, and they don't want to hear the angry rhetoric being thrown around, so they stay quiet, and they lay low.....and the club suffers.

Over the last four years I have spoken with many, many club members who used to be involved but aren't any more. They all tell me the same thing. They are weary of being beaten over the head and they just want to go back to enjoying their dogs. I didn't understand then, but I do now. I am not a person who has ever quit on something I started. I won't do that now either. But I do hear you, and I do understand.

For those who are contemplating stepping up, good for you. Be strong. Be confident. Don't hesitate to speak up when something is not right. Speak for all of the membership, and for the good of the club. Don't get pulled into acting on something just for the good of a small group of people. Each and every decision the board makes must be made while doing what is best for the club.

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Chihuahua Club of America Board Meeting

April 14, 2016

CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by President Kyle Potts at 7:01 p.m. CST on April 14, 2016.

ROLL CALL PRESENT: H. Craig Leslie, Marcy Blank, Donald C. Coughlin, Craig Eugene, Kyle Potts, Kathy Sawyer, Jill Hopper. Myrle Hale and Jen Newton, Viola Burgos Beverly LaFleur was absent. Guests were Lauren Payne and AKC delegate Kenny Saenz.

HEALTH COMMITTEE REPORT: Lauren Payne presented the Health Committee report. The Health Committee is planning to hold a health clinic on Saturday during the CCA National in October 2016. The Ophthalmologist requires a 35-40 dog minimum for the cost to be \$22 per exam. The Cardiologist requires a 30 dog minimum for a \$50 exam and Echo cardiogram of \$160. Two rooms are required for the testing, ideally located next to one another. Jill Hopper requested that Lauren provide the BOD with a form for the clinic. The Health Committee's plans are to keep the clinic restricted to Chihuahuas with the possibility of opening the clinic up to Toy Breed dogs. To obtain a CHIC Number, all dogs must be microchipped. Lauren will look into the possibility of adding a microchip clinic. Information will be posted on the CCA web site.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. Marcy Blank reported the following:

- 1) New member Sande Weigand was voted in unanimously.
- 2) As a result of the sudden resignation of a majority of the Magazine Committee, on February 25, 2016, the Board met in executive session with guest Mark Mogul from Behr Associates to discuss future options for The Chihuahua magazine.

Several options were prepared for presentation to the General membership.

- 3) Upon coming out of executive session on 2/25, the Board discussed the need to appoint a new show chair after receiving Pat Witter's resignation as national Show Chair. President Kyle Potts entertained a motion to appoint a new chair. Donald Coughlin made a motion to appoint Jill Hopper. Seconded by H Craig Leslie. Passed unanimously.
- 4) The Secretary recently received an inquiry regarding nonprofit options for estate planning. A recommendation was given for Juges Education and Chihuahua rescue.

5) MOTIONS

- A) 2/3/16 Motion made by Beverly LeFleur to pass for the taxi fare for Jen Eisenhart and her companion to travel to the pier to man the Meet the Breeds booth in New York. Second by H. Craig Leslie. Myrle Hale did not vote. Passed unanimously.
- B) 2/11/16 Motion made by Marcy Blank. Second by Viola Burgos. To print a hard copy of the membership roster in even numbered years for distribution to the general membership. Myrle Hale did not vote. Passed unanimously.
- C) 2/25/16 Jill Hopper made a motion deny the Dallas Chihuahua Club to hold a specialty show on the same date as the Tampa Bay Chihuahua Club in 2017 as Tampa bay has prior historical claim to that date. Second by Jen Newton. Myrle Hale did not vote. Passed with remainder of board voting unanimously.
- D) 2/25/16 Marcy Blank made a motion to fund \$500 for CCA to become a platinum contributor to the Dog Judges Educational Foundation. Second by Craig Eugene. Myrle Hale did not vote. Passed unanimously by the remainder of the Board.

E) 2/25/16 H. Craig Leslie made a motion to give our Treasurer, Kyle Potts the authority to go to bank of America to do whatever necessary to open accounts in the name/ownership of CCA. Second by Myrle Hale. All Board members voted. Passed unanimously.

F) 3/2/16 Jen Newton made a motion to set up two (2) DropBox accounts. One to be used by the Magazine/Chi Chatter and the other to be used by the club as a whole at an annual rate of \$99.99 each. Second by Jill Hopper. Myrle Hale did not vote. Passed unanimously.

The Secretary also reported that approval has been given to the following CCA Member clubs for their 2017 specialty dates as follows:

FEBRUARY 2017

2/2 Chihuahua Club of Greater Phoenix
2/11-2/12 Chihuahua Club of New York

MARCH 2017

3/18-3/19 Texas Chihuahua Club
3/31 Chihuahua Club of Oklahoma

APRIL 2017

4/21 Chihuahua Club of Maryland
4/22 Chihuahua Club of S California
4/29-4/30 Dallas Chihuahua Club

MAY 2017

5/19 Chihuahua Club of Oklahoma
5/27-5/28 Chihuahua Club of Michigan

JUNE 2017

6/3 Central Carolina Chihuahua Club
6/17 Tampa Bay Chihuahua Club

JULY 2017

7/28 Chihuahua Club of Greater Milwaukee

AUGUST 2017

8/18 Evergreen Chihuahua Club
8/19-8/20 Dixieland Chihuahua Club
8/25 Houston Chihuahua Club

SEPTEMBER 2017

9/15 Tampa Bay Chihuahua Club
9/22 Chihuahua Club of Phoenix

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President's Message (Continued from page 3)

No individual or group of individuals should benefit directly from changes made to the club. It is a tough line to hold. You will be pulled in many directions. This club was formed to encourage and promote quality in the breeding of pure-bred Chihuahuas and to do all possible to bring their natural qualities to perfection.

For those who chose not to step up, it's okay. You have your reasons. There is something you can do though. Don't

be so quick to jump on the bandwagon of disdain towards those working. Be positive. Tell them whenever they do something that enhances your experience at a dog show. Praise them for a job well done. Offer to help out on the Nationals weekend. You would be surprised how just the smallest thing can be a huge help when just a small group of people are responsible for every detail of the weekend. The show just doesn't happen. There is a year of

planning and work that goes into each weekend. It takes a team of people to pull it off. If you have the chance to be just a small part of that team, take it. You will be glad that you did.

If you can keep what is best for the club as your goal, you may not be the most popular, but you will be doing "it" the right way.

See you in St. Louis!
Kyle

CCA Board Meeting Minutes (Continued from page 4)

OCTOBER 2017

10/27 Chihuahua Club of N California

TREASURER'S REPORT: Kyle Potts reported that the club currently has the following:

14-Apr-16

Regular Checking	\$61,652.08
Magazine Account	\$1,333.80
Health Fund	\$21,623.54
Health Committee Operating	\$1,903.93
Trophies	\$3,611.96
Purina Funds	\$17,067.08
Ways and Means	\$12,216.19
Rescue	\$4,895.15
Ameriprise	\$31,532.81
Total	\$155,836.54

Treasurer Kyle Potts also reported that *The Chihuahua* magazine refunds have been sent out after cross referencing the former Magazine Committee's spreadsheet as received from Pat Witter. Many individuals who are slated to receive refunds have requested that their refund be donated back to CCA.

AKC DELEGATE'S REPORT: Kenny Saenz reported on the recent positions elected to the AKC Board of Directors. Kenny Saenz reported on the 2016 Eukanuba show. CCA may pull from the Eukanuba panel for our Regional Specialty. It saves the club a substantial amount of money. There were six (6) available judges to choose from. A letter was sent to all six (6) judges. Of the six, four responded with the agreement of a four (4) month restriction

on judging Chihuahuas. These judges are: Ken Raynor, David Kirkland, Luc Boileau and Edd Biven. CCA also needs to select a sweepstakes judge. A ballot pertaining to the above will be included in the next issue of the *Chi Chatter*. Kenny asked if the Board would like him to remain the liaison for Meet the Breed at Westminster. A motion was made by Craig Eugene and Seconded by Kathy Sawyer to retain Kenny Saenz as liaison for the Meet the Breeds in New York and Orlando. Passed unanimously.

SHOW CHAIR REPORT: Jill Hopper reported that she received a folder from the previous show chair, Pat Witter and thanked Pat for submitting it to her in such good order. Jill reported that the CCA National and Regional shows are moving from pending to approved status. Judges for the Regional are: Sweeps: Craig Eugene Regular Judging Fred Bassett. Judges for the National are: Sweeps: Ruth West. Regular Judging: Terri Lyddon.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Kyle Potts reported that all membership renewals are in and that the CCA lost about 20 members. Secretary Marcy Blank has prepared the current membership database and will forward to Mark Mogul at Behr and to Beverly LeFleur to prepare for distribution to the general members.

Kyle Potts reported that ad prices for the *Chi Chatter* have been sent via

email to all of 355 members which leaves only 13 that do not have email.

Life membership nominations have been received for Darwin Delaney and Frank and Sylvia Farkas. If a member has anyone else they would like to consider, please contact the board.

NEW BUSINESS:

H. Craig Leslie asked why President Kyle Potts rescheduled the board meeting from April 7 to April 14 and requested that in the future if rescheduling is needed, that it be done 14 days in advance. Kyle Potts replied that she felt was more important to be present at the funeral of former board member and longtime CCA member Peggy Hackelton and that she had asked the board earlier in the week if postponing the meeting would be okay. Everyone on the board approved the postponement with the exception of H. Craig Leslie who did not respond to the request. Kyle stated that she would note the request.

A motion was made by Jill Hopper to adjourn. Seconded by Kathy Sawyer. Meeting adjourned at 7:48pm CST

Respectfully submitted by,
Marcy Blank



Let's Revive Good Sportsmanship and Camaraderie at Dog Shows

By Virginia (Jenny) Hauber, Chihuahua Club of America, from the March 2016 AKC Gazette



Hugging and the shaking of hands in the winner's circle gives a look of great sportsmanship. It's part of the "show"—but not all those greetings are heartfelt.

Has winning become so important that we have lost sight of why we are at the dog show in the first place? Do you remember when you first started showing dogs all those years ago, and how you loved the camaraderie garnered at the show site? Gone are the days when everyone stayed all day and sat ringside watching the groups waiting for Best in Show, where the old-timers shared their jewels of wisdom with the "newbies."

What can we do to bring this all back?

I remember being in awe of those who had top dogs and being able to sit

within hearing distance of those who knew a good dog and bred the best, while trying to catch a word or two of those gems they threw out there. It was a treasure chest of tried and true information.

Ah, the good old days, before the Internet and Facebook. Those were the days when just being able to listen to the chatting of those excellent breeders, of all breeds, was the best learning experience one could receive.

Progress is progress, and there is always the good and bad to come. Information is at our fingertips. Internet bragging is at an all-time high, and everyone is an expert. Unfortunately more and more dog lovers are entering the show ring with a lot of misinformation. Previously, it took years to learn pertinent information from the bottom up. Today, however, we hear the lingo on Facebook one day and become experts the next. And then when the dog we spent a fortune to purchase and had such high hopes for doesn't win first time out, we blame the judge, the handler, or a million other reasons for the loss. It can't be our handling skills or the fact that our little darling isn't up to standard.

Negative ringside comments have become more common, and more

often what is said behind closed doors can be vicious, while rumors begin and reputations are on the line.

In the current dog show world, sportsmanship is at risk of being overshadowed by an attitude of "win at all costs." Newbies can get discouraged and leave the sport before they even get started. Showing dogs may look easy, but it takes years of study, work, and sheer determination.

Those who stick with it really do find wonderful friendships among their peers, and people will come out of the woodwork for a dog in distress and drive hours to help a stranger's dog. So there is still the love of the dog that keeps us together.

Let's stop blaming and start doing. Let's get back to mentoring those new to the breed, to being happy for our fellow exhibitors who produce a great dog and beat us in the show ring. Let's see the judges pick the best of the best, and not someone they owe a favor for fear of not getting the next assignment.

Let's get back to when dog shows were about the dogs, and not about the wins. Let's become good sports again!

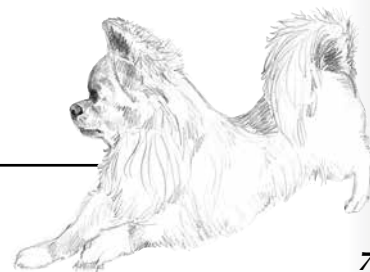
—Virginia (Jenny) Hauber, wynjnchis@yahoo.com



<i>Show Chihuahua Club of Atlanta – April 17, 2016</i>		
<i>Sweepstakes Judge - Mr. Arthur Johnson</i>		
Entry: 14	Name	Owner
Best Long	Knockout Southern Comfort	Michelle A Rinaldi & Stephanie VanGuilder
Best Opposite Sex	Terlingua Icy Cappuchino	Cara Ryckman
Best Smooth	Dazzles Cinnamon Sinsation	Cara Ryckman
Best Opposite Sex	None	
Best In Sweeps	Dazzles Cinnamon Sinsation	Cara Ryckman
Best Opposite In Sweeps	None	
<i>Variety Judge - Mrs. Sari Brewster Tietjen</i>		
<i>Long Coat Variety - Entry 37 (9 dogs + 15 bitches + 13 BOV)</i>		
Winners Dog	Knockout Southern Comfort	Michelle A Rinaldi & Stephanie VanGuilder
Winners Bitch	B-Vinus of Next Big Thing of Bally Chi	Hongloon Park
Best Of Winners	B-Vinus of Next Big Thing of Bally Chi	Hongloon Park
BOS to Variety	Omegas Rocket Man	Sandra Murdock
Best of Variety	B-Vinus of Next Big Thing of Bally Chi	Hongloon Park
<i>Smooth Coat Variety - Entry 28 (3 dogs + 11 bitches + 14 BOV)</i>		
Winners Dog	Ravenwoods Crackerjack Jem	Debbie Robertson
Winners Bitch	Destinys Getting Dirty in the Dark	Lana Bowes & Chanel Brooks
Best Of Winners	Destinys Getting Dirty in the Dark	Lana Bowes & Chanel Brooks
BOS to Variety	Dazzles Cinnamon Sinsation	Cara Ryckman
Best of Variety	CH. GCH. Dazzles Thunderous Applause	Cara Ryckman
BOS to Breed	B-Vinus of Next Big Thing of Bally Chi	Hongloon Park
Best of Breed	CH. GCH. Dazzles Thunderous Applause	Cara Ryckman

Accepting Nominations

The Board will accept nominations from members in good standing for honorary and lifetime membership awards until July 1st. The CCA Board will make a recommendation to the membership at the Fall General Meeting.



Show Texas Chihuahua Club #1 March 19, 2016

Sweepstakes Judge - Katherine Bornemann

Entry:	Name	Owner
Best Long	Abrazo's Princess Anna Of Chedon	Donna & Richard Bledsoe
Best Opposite Sex	Timeless N Brislin's All Right All Right All Right	Kyle Potts & Michelle Brislin
Best Smooth	Dulittle-Fiesta Hallelujia Honey Chile	Kristin Musgrove
Best Opposite Sex	Dazzles Dynamite Miracles From Above	Linda Evans & Donna Jensen
Best In Sweeps	Dulittle-Fiesta Hallelujia Honey Chile	Kristin Musgrove
Best Opposite In Sweeps	Dazzles Dynamite Miracles From Above	Linda Evans & Donna Jensen

Variety Judge - Kathy Bucher Sawyer

Long Coat Variety Entry

Winners Dog	Bijoux (Sanchez)	Romulo Sanchez Torres
Winners Bitch	Abrazo's Princess Anna Of Chedon	Donna & Richard Bledsoe
Best Of Winners	Bijoux (Sanchez)	Romulo Sanchez Torres
BOS to Variety	GCH PP C's Take A Picture	Racheal Miller
Best of Variety	GCH Flo-Davi Star Spangled Glory	Florence & David Davis and Kirsten Potts

Smooth Coat Variety Entry

Winners Dog	Timeless Goldstorm Weather Alert	Diane Mueller
Winners Bitch	PP C Thriller	Racheal Miller
Best Of Winners	Timeless Goldstorm Weather Alert	Diane Mueller
BOS to Variety	GCH Aero's Paint The Town Red	Lauren Bauer & Kyle Potts
Best of Variety	GCH Sonnus Filho (Sanchez)	James & Janet Moses and Romulo Sanchez Torres
BOS to Breed	GCH Flo-Davi Star Spangled Glory	Florence & David Davis and Kirsten Potts
Best of Breed	GCH Sonnus Filho (Sanchez)	James & Janet Moses and Romulo Sanchez Torres



Best of Variety: GCH Flo-Davi Star Spangled Glory Florence & David Davis and Kirsten Potts



Best of Breed: GCH Sonnus Filho (Sanchez) James & Janet Moses and Romulo Sanchez Torres



Show Texas Chihuahua Club #2 March 20, 2016

Sweepstakes Judge - Randall Carr

Entry:	Name	Owner
Best Long	Abrazo's Princess Anna Of Chedon	Donna & Richard Bledsoe
Best Opposite Sex	Timeless N Brislin's All Right All Right All Right	Kyle Potts & Michelle Brislin
Best Smooth	Dulittle-Fiesta Hallelujia Honey Chile	Kristin Musgrove
Best Opposite Sex	Dazzles Dynamite Miracles From Above	Linda Evans & Donna Jensen
Best In Sweeps	Dulittle-Fiesta Hallelujia Honey Chile	Kristin Musgrove
Best Opposite In Sweeps	Dazzles Dynamite Miracles From Above	Linda Evans & Donna Jensen

Variety Judge - James Fehring

Long Coat Variety Entry

Winners Dog	Confetti's Without A Trace	Paula McSwain
Winners Bitch	PPC Spice Up Your Life	Racheal Miller
Best Of Winners	PPC Spice Up Your Life	Racheal Miller
BOS to Variety	GCH PP C's Take A Picture	Racheal Miller
Best of Variety	GCH Flo-Davi Star Spangled Glory	Florence & David Davis and Kirsten Potts

Smooth Coat Variety Entry

Winners Dog	Timeless Goldstorm Weather Alert	Diane Mueller
Winners Bitch	Lone Pine's Fifth Avenue D'Ouachitah	Kyle Potts
Best Of Winners	Timeless Goldstorm Weather Alert	Diane Mueller
BOS to Variety	GCH Aero's Paint The Town Red	Lauren Bauer & Kyle Potts
Best of Variety	GCH Sonnus Filho (Sanchez)	James & Janet Moses and Romulo Sanchez Torres
BOS to Breed	GCH Flo-Davi Star Spangled Glory	Florence & David Davis and Kirsten Potts
Best of Breed	GCH Sonnus Filho (Sanchez)	James & Janet Moses and Romulo Sanchez Torres



*Best of Variety: GCH Flo-Davi Star Spangled Glory,
Florence & David Davis and Kirsten Potts*



*Best of Breed: GCH Sonnus Filho
(Sanchez), James & Janet Moses and
Romulo Sanchez Torres*



Show: *Nashville Chihuahua Club – 3/12/2016*

Sweepstakes Judge - *Lynnie Bunten*

Entry: 16	Name	Owner
Best In Sweeps	Matriart LG Temaky	Ana Paola Dinia & Guilherme Diniz Pretoni
Best Opposite In Sweeps	Destiny's Poison Ivy	Linda Nilges

Variety Judge - *Peter J Green*

Long Coat Variety Entry 10D-11B

Winners Dog	Omegas Rocket Man	Sandra Murdock
Winners Bitch	Hi-C Stylin in Stella McCartney	Cara Ryckman
Best Of Winners	Omegas Rocket Man	Sandra Murdock
BOS to Variety	Ch. Dazzles Gypsy Lulu	Ramona Craddock
Best of Variety	Ch. Matriart LG Sweet Cake	Ana Paola Dinia & Guilherme Diniz Pretoni

Smooth Coat Variety Entry 8D - 14B

Winners Dog	Cogies Born Wild	Mina Anderson
Winners Bitch	Dazzles the Deva Touch	Donna J. Jensen
Best Of Winners	Dazzles the Deva Touch	Donna J. Jensen
BOS to Variety	GCH Destiny's Desire for Fire	Lana Bowes
Best of Variety	GCH Dazzles Thunderous Applause	Cara Ryckman
BOS to Breed	GCH Destiny's Desire for Fire	Lana Bowes
Best of Breed	Ch. Matriart LG Sweet Cake	Ana Paola Dinia & Guilherme Diniz Pretoni



<i>Show: Nashville Chihuahua Club (2) – 3/13/2016</i>		
<i>Variety Judge - Beth Sweigart</i>		
<i>Long Coat Variety Entry 10D – 10B</i>		
Entry	Name	Owner
Winners Dog	Dazzles Calvin Klein	Donna J. Jensen
Winners Bitch	Faerie Gardens Prescious Jewel	Lynda Nilges
Best Of Winners	Dazzles Calvin Klein	Donna J. Jensen
BOS to Variety	GCH ISA'S Danced In Laughter with the Everafter	Melanie & Hailee Bowling
Best of Variety	GCH Capitol's We Aim to Please By Bayard	Vickie Mauk, Jeff Mauk, L. McGuffey & K. Saenz
<i>Smooth Coat Variety Entry 8D – 13B</i>		
Winners Dog	Cogie's Born Wild	Mina Anderson
Winners Bitch	Dazzles the Deva Touch	Donna Jensen
Best Of Winners	Dazzles the Deva Touch	Donna Jensen
BOS to Variety	Dazzles the Deva Touch	Donna Jensen
Best of Variety	GCH Dazzles Thunderous Applause	Cara Ryckman
BOS to Breed	GCH Dazzles Thunderous Applause	Cara Ryckman
Best of Breed	GCH Capitol's We Aim to Please By Bayard	Vickie Mauk, Jeff Mauk, L. McGuffey & K. Saenz



Show: Southern California Chihuahua Club – April 23, 2016

Sweepstakes Judge- Mr. David Murray

Entry:	Name	Owner
Best Long	H&H Hotrod Lincoln	Michelle Herod
Best Opposite Sex	Conemara Bk's Hannah	Barbara K Smith & Conni Robinson
Best Smooth	Regalchis Eddie Would Go	Terry Nii & Martha Lokelani Yoshizawa

Variety Judge – Mrs. Janice G. Pardue

Long Coat Variety - Entry 6-17-1VD-1VB (3-0)

Winners Dog	Conemara Wink & Nod	Coni M. Robinson & Daniel Chavez
Winners Bitch	PC V Lilac Acres Natasha At Vista	S. Schultes & C. Cox
Best Opposite Sex	GCH Mar-Rich's Girls Lie Too	Barbara K. Smith
Best Of Winners	PC V Lilac Acres Natasha At Vista	S. Schultes & C. Cox
Best of Variety	CH Kokura Yama Jp Something Real	K. Yama & Shoko Ishizuka

Smooth Coat Variety - Entry 5-9-2VB-(4-1)

Winners Dog	Kirin Jilan's Blockbuster	Suzanne Johnson & Barbara Gossett & Doreen Blank
Winners Bitch	H&H Topaz	Marilyn Casiano & Michelle Herod
Best Of Winners	Kirin Jilan's Blockbuster	Suzanne Johnson & Barbara Gossett & Doreen Blank
BOS to Variety	CH Chavez Lollipop	Beverly M. LaFleur
Best of Variety	GCH PC N Sand-Man's Micro Burst At Vista	S. Schultes & C. Cox
BOS to Breed	GCH Mar-Rich's Girls Lie Too	Barbara K. Smith
Best of Breed	CH Kokura Yama JP Something Real	K. Yama & Shoko Ishizuka



“Here! Here!”

By Kathy Sawyer

I have had a very long career in dogs, showing, handling, and Judging. During the middle of this time I moved to Oklahoma City and about four years later went to work handling a narcotics detection dog in a Public School District. This was a passion for me and I put my heart into every aspect of my work. After I had been with the company for about four years I had the opportunity to buy my boss out and take over the business. I know, what does this have to do with Chihuahuas, well, bear with me here. In the meantime I had begun breeding Labradors using the help of a good friend that raised and trained Field Trial dogs. I learned about “drives.”

All dogs are born with basic drives. Those drives can be used to train our Chihuahuas! As baby puppies the only desire they have is the drive to suckle and nurse Mamma. Then they develop play drive. Next if the breed has any hunting instincts it will develop prey drive. Even dogs who do not hunt will have the chase and drive to grab something moving fast and low.

In Bait training our Chihuahuas, we will bring the bitch to the puppies after

Consistency and Timing are the key to any type of training. It is so much fun when you watch the tiny light bulb turn on, and they realize what they did produced their reward.

she has been out to potty. When the babies are about two weeks they are beginning to know that the dinner train has just pulled up to the depot! You now have the chance to begin to imprint your puppies with the word you will use to get them to look to you for bait! Every time Momma returns to the whelping box, give them the word in the same tone you will use in the show ring, every time you bring them their food say your word over and over while they are smacking away. Timing is of the essence and consistency the key to success in this early bait training. When you go on lead, walk backwards talking to the puppy as he comes with you. Tell him his name as you walk backward, say your word when you stop, before he can sit. Timing is so important! If he sits go another step or two backwards stop, say the word and give him the treat before he has the chance to sit, timing is crucial!!! If you give him the treat after he puts his bottom on the floor or ground, you will undo a lot of your

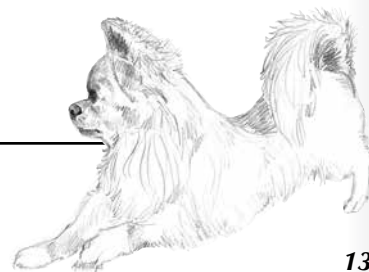
training! Don't give the treat when he is standing on his hind legs either. Consistency and Timing are the key to any type of training. It is so much fun when you watch the tiny light bulb turn on, and they realize what they did produced their reward.

I used the word “Here!” For training my young detection dogs and carried it over into searching. It became my way to tell my dogs what general area I wanted them to search. The United States Air Force trained many dogs on several bases. The base in Colorado does a lot of training their word is, “Seek.” My dogs from the company I bought out used “Seek!” We changed to “Here,” and I have used it successfully with Detection Dogs and Chihuahuas ever since!

Kathy Sawyer

Junior's Travel Assistance

The Chihuahua Club of America offers travel assistance funds to any Junior member in order to help them travel to the National Specialty show in October, Westminster, or Eukanuba. These funds are offered through the generosity of the Ways and Means committee and are intended to supplement the cost of travel to and from the show. Junior members that desire assistance should contact the Chair of the Junior's committee for application information. Gary Stiles at lacasitas@aol.com or Tammy & Gerry Desjardins at tegs.chihuahuas@gmail.com.



Dallas Chihuahua Club – April 30, 2016

Sweepstakes Judge: Ms. Sherrie Shirky

	Name	Owner
Best Long	Abrazo's Princess Anna of Chedon	Donna & Richard Bledsoe
Best Opposite Sex	Timeless N Brislin's All Right All Right All Right	Kyle Potts & Michelle Brislin
Best Smooth	Bolding Dax	Gary Bolding
Best Opposite Sex	Bolding Aerin	Gary Bolding
Best in Sweeps	Bolding Dax	Gary Bolding
Best Opposite Sweeps	Abrazo's Princess Anna of Chedon	Donna & Richard Bledsoe

Regular Judge: Ms. Mary Napper

Long Coat Variety

Winners Dog	Confetti's Without A Trace	Paula McSwain
Winners Bitch	Destiny's Givin' Love a Bad Name	Lana Bowes
Best of Winners	Confetti's Without A Trace	Paula McSwain
Best of Variety	GCh Flo-Davi Star Spangled Glory	Florence & David Davis/Kirsten Potts
BOS to Best of Variety	Confetti's Without A Trace	Paula McSwain

Smooth Coat Variety

Winners Dog	Bolding Dax	Gary Bolding
Winners Bitch	C & M's Valentina Kiss	Randall Carr
Best of Winners	Bolding Dax	Gary Bolding
Best of Variety	GCh Aero's Paint the Town Red	Lauren Bauer & Kyle Potts
BOS to Best of Variety	GCh C & M's Valentino Amore'	Joao Machado/Connie & Mack Williams
Best of Breed	GCh Flo-Davi Star Spangled Glory	Florence & David Davis/Kirsten Potts
BOS to Best of Breed	Confetti's Without A Trace	Paula McSwain



<i>Dallas Chihuahua Club – May 1, 2016</i>		
<i>Sweepstakes Judge: Ms. Guy Heiman</i>		
	Name	Owner
Best Long	Abrazo's Princess Anna of Chedon	Donna & Richard Bledsoe
Best Opposite Sex	Timeless N Brislin's All Right All Right All Right	Kyle Potts & Michelle Brislin
Best Smooth	Bolding Dax	Gary Bolding
Best Opposite Sex	Bolding Aerin	Gary Bolding
Best in Sweeps	Bolding Dax	Gary Bolding
Best Opposite Sweeps	Abrazo's Princess Anna of Chedon	Donna & Richard Bledsoe
<i>Regular Judge: Ms. Alane Gomez</i>		
<i>Long Coat Variety</i>		
Winners Dog	Timeless N Brislin's All Right All Right All Right	Kyle Potts & Michelle Brislin
Winners Bitch	Cam's Shar's Jubilee	Sharon Massad
Best of Winners	Timeless N Brislin's All Right All Right All Right	Kyle Potts & Michelle Brislin
Best of Variety	GCh Flo-Davi Star Spangled Glory	Florence & David Davis/Kirsten Potts
BOS to Best of Variety	Ch CasaSal's Rider on the Storm at Rivendell	Rebecca Swearingen
<i>Smooth Coat Variety</i>		
Winners Dog	Bolding Axle	Gary Bolding
Winners Bitch	C & M's Valentina Kiss	Randall Carr
Best of Winners	Bolding Axle	Gary Bolding
Best of Variety	GCh Heaven's Excuse My Dust	Raymajean Oliver
BOS to Best of Variety	GCh Aero's Paint the Town Red	Lauren Bauer & Kyle Potts
Best of Breed	GCh Flo-Davi Star Spangled Glory	Florence & David Davis/Kirsten Potts
BOS to Best of Breed	Ch CasaSal's Rider on the Storm at Rivendell	Rebecca Swearingen



Regional News

Eastern Region

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Chihuahua Club of Atlanta

It was a beautiful Sunday morning, April 17th, when the Chihuahua Club of Atlanta Specialty held its show in Perry, GA.

Sweeps Judge Arthur Johnson made his selection for Best Puppy in Sweeps while Conformation Judge Mrs. Sari Brewster Tietjen drew an excellent entry from which to select her class winners and finally the BOV winners and Best of Breed.

All members of the club would like to give a big "Thank You" to everyone who helped in any way to make this show such a huge success, including all who supported it with their entries.

Sandra Cook, Secretary

Chihuahua Club of Greater New York

The Chihuahua Club of Greater New York had a most successful year! Our recent back to back specialties, preceding Westminster, were very well represented with our entries coming from near and far. And our local membership remains static, happily meeting our fellow exhibitors and enthusiasts. For individuals interested in joining our club, we have four additional scheduled meetings every year, held in concert with the Toy Dog Club of Greater New York. And any interested individuals are encouraged to contact me in order that you may know where and when the meetings will be.

Viola Burgos, CCGNY Secretary
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Chihuahua Club of Mid-Jersey

Finally Spring has Sprung-----No more snow.

Our annual Spring Specialty Show was held at the New Brunswick Kennel Club's

show on Saturday, March 26th, 2016. Thank you to everyone who has participated.

We also held our elections in April. The following people were elected
Barbara Breidenback---President
Adria Kelley--Vice President
Janie Martino--Treasure
Abigail Hunter--Secretary
Board of Directors
Steve Martino
Richard Kelley

Joining our Board of Directors this year

Shelley Schectman

Finally we will be holding another Specialty this October 22nd, 2016 at the Gloucester County Kennel Club shows, Buena New Jersey

Barbara Breidenback, President

Tampa Bay Chihuahua Club

The Tampa Bay Chihuahua Club is having a B match on June 5 at the home of Pat Mattie. Come join us if you are in the area! Contact Sandy St.John match chairman, 727-641-2032 for details.

Tampa Bay Chihuahua Club's welcomes you to our 59th specialty show is June 18, 2016 at the Tampa Fairgrounds.; an indoor venue. Our conformation judge is Nickolas DeBedou. Clay Haviland is judging sweeps and junior showmanship. Show Chairman is Barbara Osborne. MBF is the Show superintendent. Entries close June 1st.2016

We will have our 60th specialty show on September 16, 2016 at the West Volusia Fairgrounds in Deland, FL; an indoor venue. Our conformation and junior showmanship judge will be Maureen Russo. Linda Tilka will be judging sweepstakes.

Some of the brags from our region:

Figgy's The Devil Went Down To Georgia won winners dog on March 12, at the Palm Beach Dog Fanciers Association in West Palm Beach, FL. He also won winners dog on April 9 at the Greater Orange Park Dog Club, owned by Jennifer and Alexis Newton.

GCH Destiny's Golden Boy going BOV at the Maryland Specialty owned and handled by Tracy Beman, co-owned by Lana Bowes

GCH Lexus Albus Sanchez won BOV at the Valdosta Kennel Club on April 14 under Mrs. Virginia Lynne

He also won Select Dog at the Valdosta Kennel Club on April 15 under Mr. Charles Olvis. Owned by Sandy St.John

GCH Destiny's Star Gazer won Select Dog on April 15 under Mr. Charles Olvis, owned by Sandy St.John and Abrey Tesar.

Submitted by Sandy St. John

Tampa Bay Chihuahua Club Secretary

East Central Region

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Hooray! We have reports from three of our region clubs! Shows are coming up some will be reported on in the next *Chi Chatter*.

I really want to thank the clubs in my region for getting me their news. I really do appreciate you!

The new Dixie Land club needs our support. This "A" match is very critical. If they have a big entry with no glitches they very well may be holding their first shows next year! Yea! Yea! Yea!

The elections are coming up, your votes are important and needed. Watch for the biographies and photos of your candidates. Be certain to catch the ballots and get them back in, sometimes they can slip our minds.

Kathy M Sawyer

EC Region Vice President

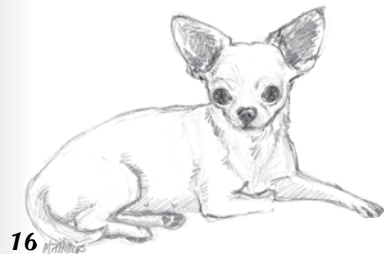
Dixieland Chihuahua Club of Memphis

The Dixieland Chihuahua Club of Greater Memphis will hold their Sanction A Match on August 20&21, 2016. The Sanction A Match will be judged by Pam Gaskin of Austin, Arkansas.

There will be wonderful silent auction to bid on!

The match will be held at the City of Southhaven Multipurpose Arena, Southaven, Mississippi. The arena is a lovely show site with lots of parking.

The Show Secretary is Kim Gramlisch, 812 W. Tropf Street, Advance, Missouri.



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Sallie Buckman
President, DLCCGM

Chihuahua Club of Michigan

By the time you read this The Chihuahua Club Of Michigan will have held our Specialties with the Apple Blossom Cluster at the wonderful Kalamazoo Expo Center in Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Unfortunately at the time of this writing I could not post any results, but I am sure there were some exceptional exhibits and great fun was had by all. (As always!)

We are all looking forward to many fun filled all breed shows in the region this summer. We also hope to see all of our "long distance" friends in St. Louis in October.

Take care, Susan Hanke

Nashville Chihuahua Club

I spoke with Dick Dickerson from the Nashville Chihuahua Club, The club officers are President Lorraine Sapalac, Vice President is Dick Dickerson, Secretary is Stephanie Kalson, Treasurer is Melba Walker, Board members are; Betty Stallard, Lovell Stallard and Lenrand Pinrod.

News from their club is Secretary, Stephanie Kalpon has been very ill with three stays in the hospital recently.

President Lorraine Sapalac has moved and wanted me to post in my quarterly article her new address ...
Lorraine Sapalac
53132 Vinnie Del Drive
Chappell Hill, Tennessee 37034

They were happy to tell of their plans to have Three Specialty Shows with the Music City Cluster! "Tulahoma and Nashville Shows". Trophies funds can be sent to Lorraine Sapalac. Plan to come next March they have given us a lot notice to make plans!

Their club meetings are held at Ruby Tuesday in. Shmyrna, the third Tuesday of each month.

Dick Dickerson has relayed by phone, thank you Dickie!

Kathy Sawyer

West Central Region

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Houston Chihuahua Club

We send a big Texas howdy to everyone.

Our 2016 back to back Specialties will be here before you know it. Friday, August 26th, 2016. In conjunction with the Toy Club of Greater Houston shows on Saturday, August 27th & Sunday August 28th, 2016. 4 Shows, in 3 days, all under one roof! Held at the Crowne Plaza - Brookhollow - 12801 Northwest Freeway - Houston, Texas 77040. (713) 462-9977

The Crowne Plaza Hotel is giving our guests a discount rate of \$89.00 per night. ROOM LINK - This link will take you right to the discount room page of the Crowne Plaza website.

Please email Connie Williams ccw1015@prodigy.net if you have any questions or would like the link emailed to you.

Our Superintendent is Onofrio.

Judges are:

AM Specialty

Sweepstakes - Mr. Lonnie Schwab

Regular Classes- Mrs. Mariam Pontes

PM Specialty

Sweepstakes - Mrs. Sharon Couch

Regular Classes - Mr. Bradley Jenkins

We have some fantastic trophies this year. We will have the raffle table and silent auction. There is a possibility of 4 majors in 3 days!

We hope you will make plans to come join us.

Connie Williams, Secretary

Land of Lincoln Chihuahua Club

Please join us in celebrating the Land of Lincoln Chihuahua Club's 35th anniversary!

Two fabulous Specialties, beautiful dogs, great hospitality, great food, great fun! Our Specialty Show is to take place on Saturday July 2nd and Sunday July 3rd at our new location: the Sangamon County Fairgrounds in New Berlin, IL. Our Judging panel for Saturday is Mr. Bradley Jenkins for regular classes and Mrs. Diana Skibinski for sweepstakes. Sunday's judging panel is Mr. Rodney Merry for regular classes and Mrs. Susan Hanke for sweepstakes. We pride

ourselves in awarding amazing trophies for all class placements. Previous year's trophies have included Snuggies by Lorna Cherney Bumper Beds, crate pads and tents, and Seabreeze Ex-Pens! This fairground location offers RV parking with electric and water hookups for \$25 per night. The Land of Lincoln Chihuahua Club is well known for our fantastic hospitality. Please plan on reserving your daily boxed lunches and joining us for dinner in Springfield Saturday evening. We will be having a Silent Auction and Grab Bag raffle with amazing prizes. Premium is available through Roy Jones. Please see our website: landoflincolnchihuahuacub.org for additional information.

Thanks in advance,

Erin Peters, Secretary - Land of Lincoln Chihuahua Club

Texas Chihuahua Club

If you didn't attend our recent Back-to-Back Specialties March 19th & 20th you missed out.

You missed a great time with great friends and great Chihuahuas!

The GREAT "Sonnito" was right on the money, shown by Romulo; winning Best of Breed both days. The BEAUTIFUL Veteran "Star" strutted her stuff perfectly for Kyle to win Best Opposite Sex to Best of Breed both days.

Those of you who have never shown a Veteran can't imagine the THRILL of it.

It is just not the same as showing a young dog. It is quite an experience showing these wonderful dogs with so much to give for "another day in the ring".

There were a lot of tough decisions for the judges with all the excellent Chihuahuas in attendance.

It was a beautiful sight to see.

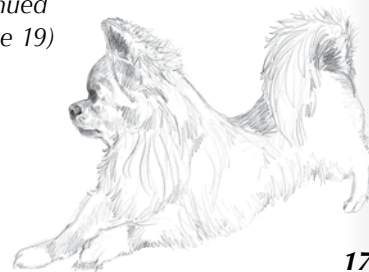
We are now working on our 2017 Shows, March 18th and 19th.

So put it on your calendar NOW and plan to attend the BEST Specialties ever.

* We are so excited to have Kathy Bornemann back in Texas after many years.

Linda Herr, Secretary Texas Chihuahua Club

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CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF GREATER PHOENIX

Specialty & Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes



Being Held At:

**PRESCOTT VALLEY
EVENT CENTER
3201 N. MAIN STREET
PRESCOTT VALLEY,
AZ**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23,
2016
ALL JUDGING WILL BE
HELD INDOORS**

**ENTRIES CLOSE
WEDNESDAY NOON,
SEPTEMBER 7, 2016 PST**



**This Specialty is being held in
Conjunction with the Prescott
Arizona Kennel Club All Breed
Shows September 24 & 25, 2016
and Concurrently with the
Arizona Toy Dog Fanciers Show
which creates a 4 Show
Weekend in 3 days.**

******Michelle Herod, CCGP
President, is hosting a B-B-Q
dinner at her home on Friday
evening after our show
(exact time to be announced at
close of show) and is extending
an invitation for all Chihuahua
Exhibitors. This is one of the
best ways to meet and get
acquainted with our out of
state and new exhibitors. This
is a "casual get together" and
wonderful social event.**

**Please RSVP if you would like to
attend the B-B-Q by emailing:
Michelle Herod -
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Regional News (Continued from page 17)

Western Region

Jill Hopper

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With warmer weather and longer days, the Spring show season is in full swing in the West. The Southern California Chihuahua Club will hold their concurrent Specialty Show on April 26th and are happy to have attracted an entry with major wins available to those exhibitors who have entered their dogs in the show. Working together to support our local club specialty shows is a great way to insure that the Clubs make enough money to keep hosting shows in the future - and to find those elusive majors. And, it's not a bad idea to volunteer to help out if you can - hope everyone has a happy, healthy and successful spring!

Jill Hopper

Western Region VP

Chihuahua Club Of Greater Phoenix

This is the time of year when our local shows in the Phoenix area are few and far between. It now our turn to travel to the neighboring states or other far reaches of the country, seeking out locations where the weather is cooler and dog shows are plentiful. It's our turn to Chase the "Ribbons and Points". Some of us travel together to share expenses and of course to do what we can to build Majors.

Currently, our Show Committee is working on our September 23, 2016 Show which will be held in a cooler part of the State, Prescott Valley, AZ. Prescott Valley is about an hour drive from Phoenix and

it's a place where many of our members live. As I mentioned in my previous article, we are planning to have a great time both at our show as well as after the show. Michelle Herod, CCGP President will be hosting a B-B-Q at her home for all of the Chihuahua exhibitors. We are hoping that this casual event will allow everyone to get acquainted, share experiences as well as knowledge. This CCGP Specialty Show will be concurrent with the Arizona Toy Dog Fanciers, and of course in conjunction with the Prescott Arizona Kennel Club, giving us 4 shows in a 3-day weekend. We normally have majors at all of the shows, and certainly are planning on this for all of these shows as well. We welcome all CCA members to enter and certainly welcome the competition too. Fortunately, a few of our members have some of the top ranking dogs in the country (in both Long Coats, and Smooths), so this should be a good series of shows.

Marilyn Casiano

CCGP Secretary/Show Chair

Evergreen Chihuahua Club

The Evergreen Chihuahua Club is up and running, with officers of President Gary Stiles, Vice President Liz Moore, Secretary Helene Benson, Treasurer Anita Noll .

We are busily preparing for our back-to-back Specialties on Friday, August 19, 2016, at Enumclaw Washington. Judging at our afternoon show (starting about noon) will be done by Mr. Shawn Nichols of BC, Canada, and at our evening show (starting about 6PM) will be done by Mr. Norm Patton. We will offer Juniors and Sweepstakes at the first show judged by

Ms. Alexzandra Erb. We are offering a 4-6 Month Beginner Puppy competition as well, to be judged by Ms. Betty Winthers. Obedience and Rally will be available as part of Olympic Kennel Club's Combined Specialties. Superintendent for ECC is BaRay Events, and for Olympic Kennel Club is Onofrio Dog Shows. With our back-to-back Specialties followed by two all-breed shows, there are four opportunities for points and hopefully majors!

Helene M Benson

Secretary, Evergreen Chihuahua Club
Show Chair, Show #1 - Helene Benson
Show Chair, Show #2 - Anita Noll
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Southern California Chihuahua Club

Hello from sunny and warm Southern California! We have been having some beautiful, warm Spring days. The Southern California Chihuahua Club specialty will be held on April 23rd. We are super excited to have David Murray judging sweeps and Mrs. Janice Pardue judging the regular classes. As always there will be lots of food, 4 additional shows to participate in, and TONS of amazing prizes.

In other news, many of the dog clubs in Southern California and the AKC recently supported the ribbon cutting of the AKC disaster trailer.

This is the fourth trailer donated to animal care facilities in San Diego County and the total donations from the clubs, AKC, and private donors have been over \$88,000.00!

Suzanne Stephens, SCCC

Spring 2016 Sunshine Report

I begin this report with another huge Thank you to Jim Lehman! Jim has been so faithful in sending me wonderful Chihuahua themed cards to use for Sunshine!! I know that I really appreciate it and I am certain the recipients do as well. Thank you so much Jim!!!

On one of the CCA member chat lists that I belong to, a question came up that I would like to call attention to. Some may not know how it is that cards are sent to some and not to others. Sometimes, I notice that a member is ill or needing a note on my own via Facebook or an online chat group. But, the very best way to let me know of a friend or club member needing a card is to contact me directly. You can do that by calling, emailing me or by private message on Facebook. My contact information will be listed below. I can not send a card out if I don't know of a need. Please, let me know as I really enjoy letting members know we are thinking of them.

I have sent eight cards to our CCA members this Spring. A Thinking of You card was mailed to Billy Miller. A total of five Get Well cards were sent out and they went to Cherry Parker, David Davies, Viola Burgos, Craig Leslie and to Peggy Hackleton. I am so very sorry to report that Peggy, another of our very dear long time members has passed away. A Sympathy card was sent to Tad along with a \$100 donation in Peggy's memory to the Chihuahua Rescue of Texas. In addition, two more Sympathy cards were mailed, one going to Val Cross who recently lost her daughter, Dorothea and another to Kris Bobo Specht whose mother passed away.

Christie Foulk, Sunshine Chair

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CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA 2016 NATIONAL SPECIALTY
MOTOR HOME PARKING RESERVATION FORM
Holiday Inn SW Rt 66, St. Louis, MO

MAIL THIS FORM WITH PAYMENT TO:

LINDA GEORGE

1325 RACINE AVENUE

WAUKESHA, WI 53186

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FIVE (5) NIGHT STAY (Departing 10/17/16)

\$100.00 TOTAL FOR 5 NIGHT STAY- OCTOBER 12-17, 2016

EXTRA NIGHTS- \$30 (NIGHT)

RESERVATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER AUGUST 1, 2016

SPACE IS LIMITED, SO RESERVATIONS ARE ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVE BASIS

NAME _____ EMAIL _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ CELL PHONE _____

Type of Vehicle _____ Length _____

(CLASS A, CLASS C, ETC)

Vehicle License# _____

Special Accommodations _____

(SLIDE-OUT, HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE, I:TC.)

When do you plan to arrive? _____

(APPROXIMATE DATE AND TIME)

☐ A check/money order for TOTAL AMOUNT DUE is enclosed

☐ I wish to reserve overnight parking for the Chihuahua Club of America Regional & National Specialties at the Holiday Inn SW Rt. 66 in St. Louis, MO October 13-16, 2016. I agree to abide by all parking rules & regulations and I understand that if I fail to do so I will be told to remove my vehicle from the hotel property and future parking privileges may be denied. I understand that parking fees are non-refundable.

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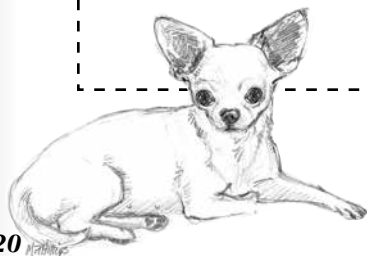
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CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA VENDOR CONTRACT

CCA Regional Show - October 13-14, 2016
CCA National Show - October 15-16, 2016
Holiday Inn SW Route 66
10709 Watson Road
St. Louis, MO 63127

VENDING AVAILABLE Thursday, Oct 13-16, 2016
Set-Up Available 4:00-7:00p.m. Wednesday, Oct 12, 2016

ALL VENDORS MUST TAKE BOOTH SPACE FOR ENTIRE WEEKEND

Very Limited Space - BOOK EARLY BOOTHSPACE IS INDOORS - AROUND THE RING

Booth Space: \$150 per 10 foot space. Tables are not included but are available from hotel for \$20 for the weekend.

Deadline For Reservations: September 28, 2016 after which time no refunds will be given for cancellations.

Vendors will be responsible for collecting their own sales tax. The **Chihuahua Club of America** shall assume no liability for accidents or loss and vendors must carry their own insurance.

The Chihuahua Club of America reserves the right to refuse space to any vendor. No booths will be accepted where human foods will be sold. The hotel has exclusive food sales rights. No live animals may be sold or displayed. No alcoholic beverages allowed in the show room.

When making reservations please include the following:

Business Name _____ **Name** _____

Address _____ **City** _____ **ST** _____ **Zip** _____

Cell Number _____ **Email** _____

YOUR CLEARED CHECK IS YOUR RESERVATION

Send checks payable to Chihuahua Club of America to:

Tracy Potts, Vendor Chair,

16619 Fort Oswego Street, San Antonio, TX 78247/ Tracypotts1@aol.com 210-365-3248

I agree to all conditions stated within. Vending & Selling of any items or products without Vendor

Space will not be permitted. \$25 fee will apply for returned checks.

VENDOR SIGNATURE

DATE

Trophy Donations

All donations received by September 17, 2016 will be printed in the catalog. Please make checks payable to CCA and mail trophy donations to:

**Trophy Chair, Dolores Masley
PO Box 357
Watseka, IL 60970**

Email: misalou@att.net 815-432-6564

The success of the show depends on the generosity of its sponsors and exhibitors.

To pay by PayPal go to *<http://www.paypal.com>* and use *chihuahuacubofamerica@gmail.com* as the email the money will be sent to.

PLEASE NOTE: if you use the “personal” tab and check that your donation is a gift, the club will receive 100% of the amount and will not have to pay a service fee!

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In compliance with the Chihuahua Club of America Constitution and By-Laws, each completed application for membership will be reviewed and voted upon by the Membership Committee and the Board of Directors. Additionally the pending candidate's will be printed in the Chi-Chatter for membership consideration prior to the committee vote. If a member has a concern about a candidate's possible membership in the Chihuahua Club of America, please notify the Membership Committee in written form, within 45 days of publication in the Chi-Chatter. Candidates will receive a copy of any correspondence and will have an opportunity to respond. Candidates will become members with a 2/3 affirmative vote of the Membership Committee and Board. This process will take time but it is important that our membership be informed and the Constitution, as it presently exists, be followed.

Pending Candidates

Applications received January 1, 2016 through April 1, 2016
The Board will vote on these candidates in October 2016

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THE CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM
(Deadline: July 1st)

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Applicant Name: _____

Social Security No. _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: (____)____-____-____ Birth Date of Applicant: ____/____/____

I will graduate: School Year: _____

Name/Address of School: _____/_____

Major/Area of Educational Concentration? _____

U.S. Citizen: Yes ___ No ___ if no, do you have Permanent Resident status: Yes ___ No ___

II. GRADE POINT AVERAGE/TRANSCRIPT. Cumulative High School GPA _____

Please attach a copy of your OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT from your high school. DO NOT SEND THE TRANSCRIPT SEPARATELY.

III. PERSONAL ASPIRATIONS/CAREER GOALS.

In an essay of at least 750 words, please describe your personal aspirations and career goals. Please describe the importance scholarship assistance would have for you in meeting these goals. Please note circumstances that make you particularly eligible for this scholarship. (Attach separate sheets.)

IV. VOLUNTEER/WORK EXPERIENCE OR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.

Please describe in the space provided or on a separate sheet recent volunteer experience, work experience, and school activities.

V. LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION.

Please provide a letter of recommendation from a current Chihuahua Club of America member.

VI. CERTIFICATION

I certify that all the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my/our knowledge. If asked by any authorized official of The Chihuahua Club of America, I agree to give accurate documentation for information given on this form. I realize that failure to comply with a request for further information may prevent the applicant from being considered. I understand that the financial information will be confidential, for review solely by The Chihuahua Club of America.

Applicant's Signature

Date

SUBMIT COMPLETE APPLICATION, INCLUDING ALL DOCUMENTATION. BY JULY 1ST TO:

**CCA Secretary,
11489 S. Foster Road,
San Antonio, TX 78223**

APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED UNLESS COMPLETE.
DO NOT SEND MATERIALS SEPARATELY.

Checklist for attachment

- Application completed and signed
- .Personal statement
- .Copy of official school transcript
- .Original recommendation letter

CCA Guidelines For Travel Assistance To Junior Members

Travel assistance will be available to junior members of the Chihuahua Club of America who are attending the National show in St. Louis each October. Travel assistance is available to those junior members who meet the following criteria:

1. The junior must be a current Junior Member of the Chihuahua Club of America
2. The junior must be between the ages of 9 and 18.
3. The junior must be entered in a Junior Showmanship Class at the Fall National show in St. Louis, Missouri.

Travel assistance funds are for the purpose of assisting the junior member with the cost of airfare or gasoline expenses while traveling to and from the Nationals. The funds are given to those juniors who are in a situation that requires monetary assistance to insure that the junior is able to attend the show.

The funds will be dispersed to the parents of the junior member. The funds allocated will be a maximum of *(\$300). If the junior accepts the travel assistance funds and does not compete in the Junior Showmanship classes at the show, the funds must be reimbursed to the club.

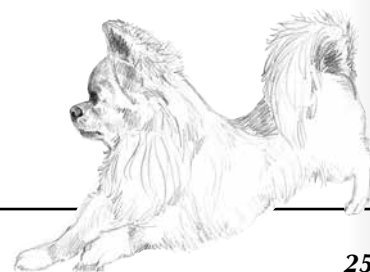
Parents of the junior member may contact the Junior Committee Chair to apply for the travel assistance funds. The Junior Committee Chair will bring the matter to the Board for approval.

Peanut Butter Carrot Cake

*N*aturally sweet, colorful and flavorful, this cake is simple and easy to make. Great for Fall.

- 1 cup flour
- 1 tsp baking soda
- ¼ cup peanut butter
- ¼ cup vegetable oil
- 1 cup shredded carrots
- 1 tsp. vanilla
- 1/3 cup honey
- 1 egg

Mix flour and baking soda. Add remaining ingredients. Pour into greased 8" round cake pan and bake at 350° for 30 minutes. Let cool. Puree cottage cheese in blender for icing. Decorate with more peanut butter and carrots.



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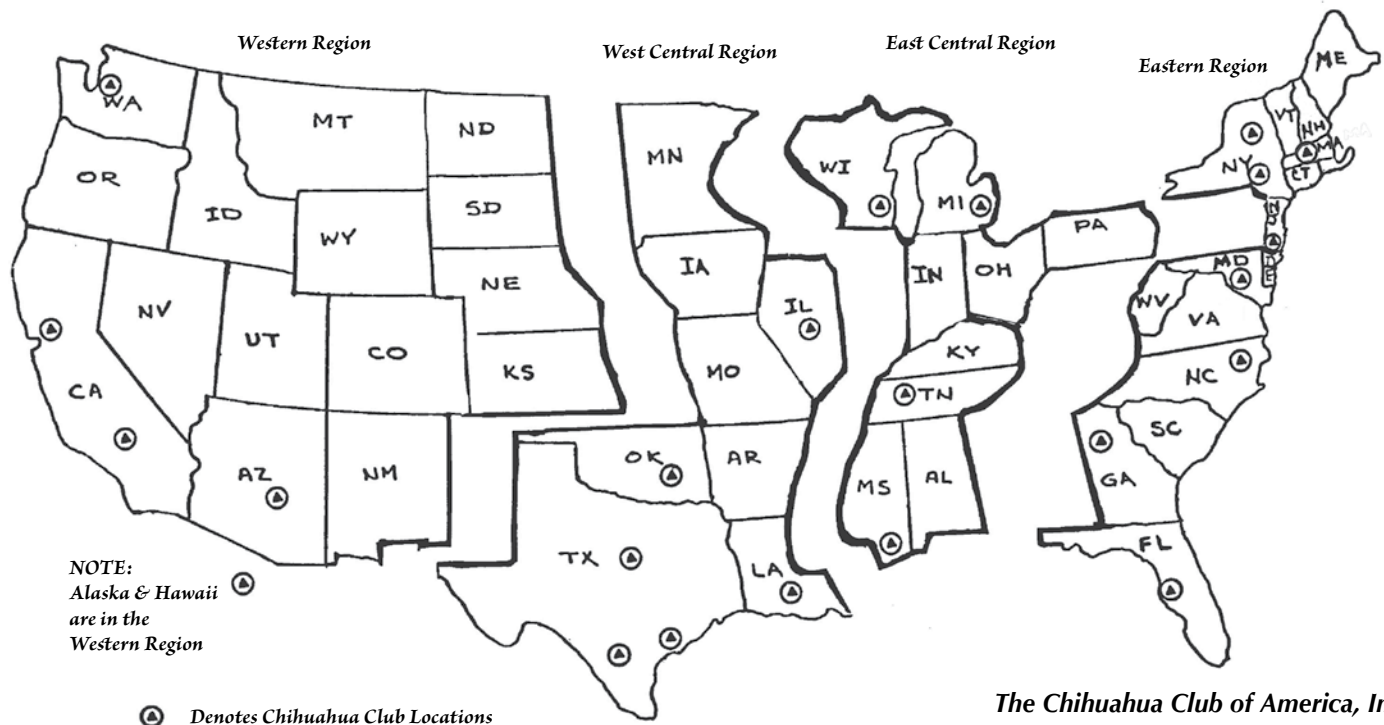
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