

# CHICHATTER

OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA  
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## Orlando Meet The Breed Booth



# *2018 Top 20 People's Choice Winner*

*Multi BTSS, Multi Group Winning & Placing, Top Producer of  
Champions GCHP BKS Wild About Harry.*



**HARRY with his handler, CONNI M. ROBINSON,  
who led him on his wonderful and successful show career.**

**BRED AND OWNED BY**

*Barbara K. Smith*

# Thank You Active Members! 5-10 YEARS

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Fall – Nov 10th

Summer – Aug 10th  
Winter – Feb 10th

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# President's Letter



It's that time of year when CCA begins the process of seeking nominations for BOD positions up for election. Information on the positions open for election are found on page {insert page #} of this issue. If you are interested in being considered, please contact the chair of the nominating committee, Linda George, at [Ouachitah@aol.com](mailto:Ouachitah@aol.com).

Secondly, in the BOD is considering adding an additional day to our national weekend in October. We are also evaluating other possible show sites for 2021. As part of this, we are requesting you complete a survey. You can either complete the survey enclosed in this issue, and return via mail, or you can complete the online survey. The online survey information has been sent out via Mailchimp. If you do not receive the link, please go to

the following link to complete the survey: {insert link}.

Your input is important in this process.



Best,

*Lauren A. Payne*



# Letter from The Editor



Please note the following correcting from the last issue of Chi Chatter:

GCH CH Calmont's Return Of Excellence  
CD BN ACT1 RA CGC CGCA CGCU FD was Best  
Veteran in Sweeps under Judge M. Dunnington.



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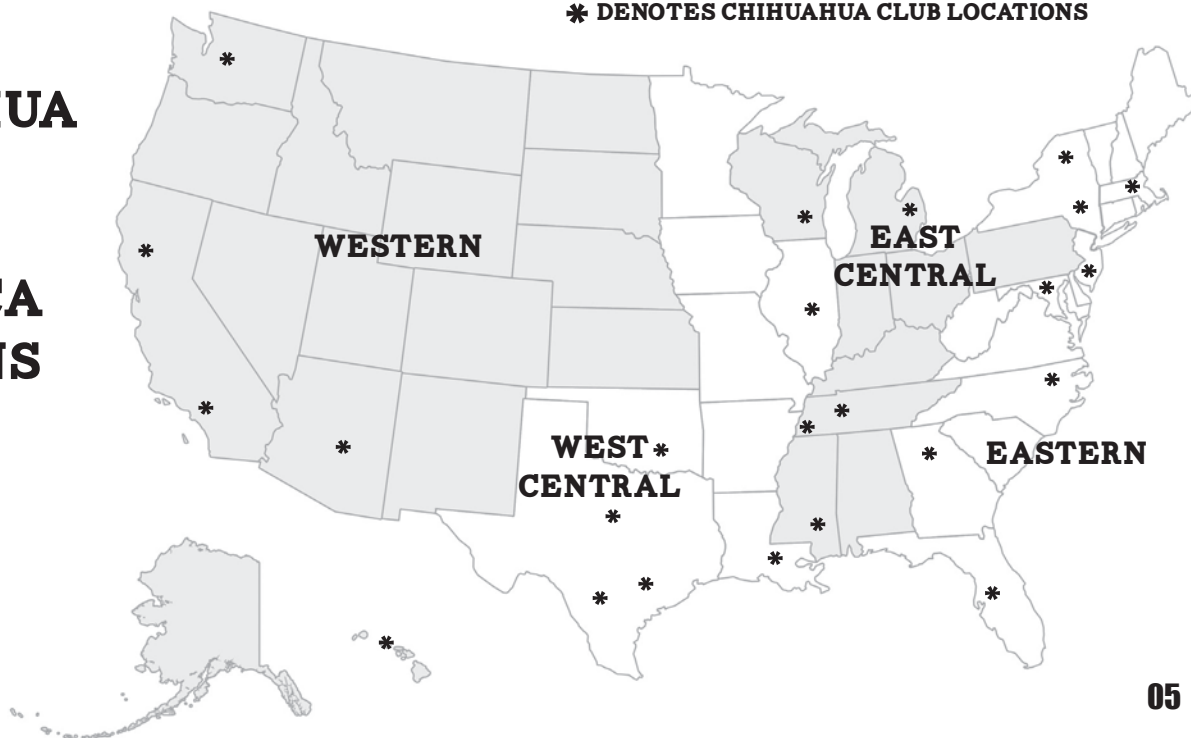
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**Kathy Bornemann**

Handbook  
**Beverly LaFleur**

## CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA REGIONS

\* DENOTES CHIHUAHUA CLUB LOCATIONS





Members of the Chihuahua Club of America, Inc.,

Pursuant to Article IV, Section 4, of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Chihuahua Club of America, the Nominating Committee is beginning the process of putting together a slate of officers for this year's elections. Board positions are a 2 year commitment. The following positions are eligible for election this year:

Treasurer  
East Coast Vice President  
West Central Vice President  
Two (2) Board positions.

Members who are interested in running for office should contact the Nominating Committee Chair, Linda George prior to June 1, 2019. The following criteria shall be considered for eligible candidates for nomination:

- An understanding of club management and function
- Experience in club service (committee work)
- A willingness to actively serve the best interests of CCA
- An ability and commitment to attend the Regional/National Shows and the General meeting each year
- Agree to be present and active on the board conference calls and to be active in the discussions on the board email list. Board business is conducted via the internet.
- Length of active membership

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# IN EVERY ISSUE

## 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.



## 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 specific criteria. Full details can be found at <http://www.chihuahuclubofamerica.org/junior-spotlight>.



## GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSIONS

### (SHOW RESULTS, PHOTOS, EDITORIAL, REGIONAL REPORTS, ETC..)

Show results, photos, editorial and more can be submitted by emailing [kimzachi@gmail.com](mailto:kimzachi@gmail.com). All forms for completion can be obtained on the CCA website or by emailing the above address with your request. All submissions must use the appropriate forms (if applicable) to be considered for submission in the Chi Chatter and/or on the CCA website.



## 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 n 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.

Full details on how to obtain plaques can be found at [www.chihuahuclubofamerica.org/cca-member-clubs/awards-recognition](http://www.chihuahuclubofamerica.org/cca-member-clubs/awards-recognition).



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# BULLETIN BOARD

## HOW TO USE THE CCA MEMBER'S ONLY SECTION

Look for info in this issue on how to use the members only section of the website.

## NOMINATIONS NEEDED!

Some BOD positions are up for election this year. If you are interested in being considered, please contact the chair of the nominating committee, Linda George, at [Ouachitah@aol.com](mailto:Ouachitah@aol.com).

## ADDITIONAL DAY ADDED TO NATIONALS?

Be sure to check out the survey asking your opinion about adding an additional day at nationals.



# MEETING MINUTES & COMMITTEE REPORTS

## CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF AMERICA BOARD MEETING - January 8, 2019

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by President Lauren Payne at 7.05 p.m. on January 8, 2019.

**ROLL CALL PRESENT:** Shawn Christine Jones, Marcy Blank, Lesley Harger, Kyle Potts, Jennifer Snyder, Jessica Simon, Jen Newton, Kris Specht, and Suzanne Stephens. H Craig. Leslie was absent from the call.

**MINUTES OF LAST MEETING:** Kris Specht moved to accept meeting notes as previously published in the Chi Chatter. All in favor.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** Marcy Blank reported the following:

1) We are current in responses to general inquiries via USPS, email and web site.

2) We have processed several CCA Member Club applications for approval for 2019 Specialty dates.

3) **MOTIONS-10/17/18** Motion made by Kris Specht, 2nd by Jessica Simon. To create Standing Rule that requests to reserve a specialty date may be submitted 24 months prior to the desired date and not before. Passed unanimously 10/29/18

Motion made by Jessica Simon Second by Jennifer Snyder. To leave the Code of Ethics as is and post cyberbullying information and links on the CCA website. Voting NO were Kyle Potts, Shawn Jones, and Lesley Harger. Voting Yes were Jessica Simon, Kris Specht. H Craig Leslie, Marcy Blank, Jen Newton, Suzanne Stephens and Jennifer Snyder. Motion passed.

- 11/6/18 Motion made by H Craig Leslie 2nd by Lesley Harger. To raise the delegates allowance from \$300 to \$500. Jessica Simon did not vote. Remainder of the BOD voted yes. Motion passed.
- 11/12/18 Motion made by Kris Specht. 2nd by Jennifer Snyder for Linda George to serve as the judge to perform AKC interview for the Chihuahua and that Linda be allowed to choose breed experts for the video project. H Craig Leslie did not vote. The remainder of the BOD voted yes. Motion passed.
- 11/20/18 Motion made by Kris Specht 2nd by Jennifer Snyder to publish etiquette letter with Shawn Jones' edits in the next issue of the Chi Chatter with the inclusion of the active link to the CCA web page on cyber bullying. H Craig Leslie did not vote. The remainder of the BOD voted yes. Motion passed
- 12/3/18 Motion made by Kris Specht 2nd by Shawn Jones to ask Susan François to do a search for centrally located hotels that offer similar amenities and costs for the 2021 CCA national specialties. We hope that she can find something with a pleasant staff and similar facilities but with more ample parking for motor homes and shuttles to the airport. H Craig Leslie did not vote. The remainder of the BOD voted yes. Motion passed.
- 12/24/18 Motion made by Shawn Jones, 2nd by Jessica Simon that CCA pay storage of the Meet the Breed booth setup for the cost of \$35-\$45 per month as requested by Jen Newton. H Craig Leslie did not vote. The remainder of the BOD voted yes. Motion passed

4) Current on cross referencing paid dues renewal and listing committee interest New member applicants have been notified of acceptance. All current pending candidates names have been forwarded to the Chi Chatter.

5) Annual Not for Profit report filed with State of Illinois. Payment made  
**TRESURER'S REPORT:** Kyle Potts reported the following:  
Jan 8, 19 1030 · BofA Accounts 10301 · CCA Regular Checking 26,975.97 10304 · Chihuahua Health Related #0951 1,627.09 Other Current Assets 1202 · Ameriprise Financial 67,851.71 Total 96,454.77

**COMMITTEE REPORTS/SHOW FINANCIALS/ORLANDO REGIONAL REPORT:** President Lauren Payne read all submitted reports. These will be available for viewing on the members section of the CCA web page. Jen Newton added that if any CCA member clubs wish to have their shows added to the CCA website calendar of events, the club should contact the webmaster, Jen Newton, directly. Suzanne Stephens added that the Chi Chatter committee is pushing hard fast deadlines of the 10th for the Chi Chatter and requested that all VP and Club reports are needed and be submitted early. President Lauren Payne reported that the Orlando Specialty was a complete success.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** The search for a new location is still being looked into by Sue Francois. She is looking into St. Louis as well as other area. The Top 20 committee is considering adding TOP NOHS to the event. The BOD agreed that more information is required from the committee and agreed to table the discussion at this time until additional information is received.

Motion made by Kris Specht to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm. CST

Respectfully submitted by,  
Marcy Blank-Secretary

# PENDING CANDIDATES.

## APPLICATIONS RECEIVED JULY 2, 2018 THROUGH OCTOBER 1, 2018. THE BOARD WILL VOTE ON THESE CANDIDATES IN APRIL 2019

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## SUNSHINE CHRISTIE FOULK

As I am preparing my Fall/Winter Sunshine report, I think we are all looking forward to Spring!! I would like to thank those who have given me tips on who might be needing a card! It really helps me out to have extra eyes and ears on the job!!

This season, I have sent a total of nine cards. Five Get Well cards were sent. A card went out to Kathy Smith who is recovering nicely from breast cancer surgery. Keep her in your thoughts and prayers as she is just beginning radiation therapy. A card was also sent to Belinda McCormick who is recovering from surgery to her hand. Another card was sent to Betty Stallard, who has been very ill and is recovering in the hospital. We are hoping she will soon be home and feeling much better. Get Well cards have also gone out to Mack Williams, who is recovering nicely from a heart attack, and to Stephanie Schultes.

I have mailed three Thinking of You cards. One has gone to Bobbi Koehler who has just been having a really rough few months.

I recently sent one out to Erika Lanasa whose partner Chip is recovering from open heart surgery. Finally, I sent a thinking of you card to Teresa Chrimes whose husband was terminally ill. Sadly, he has recently passed and I have sent her a Sympathy card as well.

Please keep these members in your thoughts. Life is hard and it helps to know others care. My contact information is below. Contact me anytime with friends who may need a little cheering up. You can find me on Facebook and a PM works as well.

Christie Foulk  
Sunshine Chair  
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## HEALTH COMMITTEE KRISTI GREEN

### General Committee Business:

Committee is reviewing potential other options regarding CHIC certificates to hand out to the membership because CHIC already is issuing a certificate. There were 150+ new CHIC #'s issued to chihuahuas in the last year!

### CCA AKC-CHF DAF Fund:

Balance: **\$50,861.63**

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION ON GRAIN FREE "boutique" DIETS:

The CCA Health Committee would like to make you aware (if you are not already informed) of the health hazards of feeding grain-free foods which include legumes such as peas, chickpeas, lentils, potatoes & sweet potatoes which have been implicated since July 2018 in the deaths of many dogs from DCM (Dilated Cardiomyopathy). We plan to get more information up on the website regarding this in the near future & below is a link to introduce you to this information if you are unfamiliar.

The cases of DCM range in ages from 9 months to senior dogs of small and large breeds and mixed breeds. The veterinarians and scientists are strongly recommending staying with the 'big 4' dog food companies (Purina, Royal Canin, Iams/Eukanuba, & Science Diet) until their studies learn more about the causes of the dogs' deaths from DCM. Some dogs' DCM has been reversed when the dogs have been placed back on grain-inclusive foods if it is not too far advanced. There are often NO clinical signs, the dogs just drop dead.

<http://vetnutrition.tufts.edu/2018/06/a-broken-heart-risk-of-heart-disease-in-boutique-or-grain-free-diets-and-exotic-ingredients/>

-Liz Moore, Health Committee Member

### New CHIC Numbers (3rd quarter 2018):

There were 32 new CHIC #'s in the 4th quarter of 2018. There were also 5 updated CHIC numbers.

Reminder to all doing OFA health testing; once you submit initial results, RESUBMITS are FREE of charge; simply indicate when you send the updated forms in that it is an UPDATE and you will not be charged. Updating health results during the breeding lifetime of your dog provides even more valuable information past the initial tests.

Submitting all 3 results together can be done for a reduced fee of \$22.50 total vs. The individual application fees.

## JUDGES EDUCATION

### LINDA GEORGE

I presented a Chihuahua seminar for the Advanced Judges Institute in Florida during the week before the AKC National Championship show. There were about 35 attendees, who seemed interested and enthusiastic. Mary Ann Glowgowski helped me during the lecture part of the seminar. She, along with Kristi Green, Kris Specht, Jen Newton, and Shelly Rinaldi brought and handled dogs for the hands on. Myrle Hale acted as co moderator. Darius McPhall provided a dog and helped Tim Thomas with a weight demonstration for future judges. Many, many thanks to all of them and my apologies if I missed anybody that participated.

The same week AKC did filming for the Chihuahua module of the Canine College for future judges. My thanks to Steve Hayden and Myrle Hale for doing interviews, Lo Wolfson for bringing a dog and helping during the table exam filming, and Kris Specht, Kara Gordon, Eduardo Paris, and Runchana "Dolly" Devew for giving of their time and dogs for the filming. Again my apologies if I missed anybody.

The illustrated standard sub-committee continues to work with the artist in submitting drawings.

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## TOP TWENTY

### KATHERINE BORNEMANN & WILLO BARFIELD

I have signed contracts from our 3 Judges.  
There is an event schedule provided to the Show Chair  
I have commitment from the DJ, pending his contract.

In-progress:  
Top Twenty/CCA Artwork (for the Purina totes)

Adding:  
Due to popular interest adding to our event the Top Twenty in NOHS for each Variety.

Pending:  
Year End Top Twenty Standings from AKC for Varieties and All Breed.  
Year End ad hoc Top Twenty NOHS Standings from AKC for Varieties.  
Rob Garrett tells me he will run the report for me.

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## HANDBOOK

### BEVERLY LAFLEUR

We have two committee members from Western region and one from the Eastern region. We have no volunteers from the East Central or West Central regions as yet. If there are any suggestions for people to serve on the committee they would be welcomed.

There are no expenses at the present time and none are expected until we are closer to sending the handbook for printing. Thus far we have been exploring the cost of printing the handbook so that we are able to set the price for the individual pages.

## LEGISLATION

### BETTY STALLARD

First, thank you for the opportunity to serve in this position. I have not yet assembled representatives for the committee positions yet, but am working on it.  
Cutting to the chase, this is what I have to report at this time:

1) Florida...Amendment 13.... "phases out commercial dog racing" in the state by the year 2020, was passed and became a constitutional amendment in Florida. Amendment 13 would add a new section to Article X and Article XII in the Florida Constitution. There is concern that the wording will provide opportunity for any avenue of sport with dogs that awards with a ribbon or other prizes to be banned or regulated. A petition is circulating to repeal this amendment.

2) Federal..... Final Draft of Farm Bill Includes AKC Priorities 12/11/18  
Portions of the bill include measures regarding importation of pets/animals.

Pet Imports: Pet and Public Health. The final version of the Farm Bill provides language consistent with House and Senate versions passed earlier this year that require reporting on the import of unknown numbers of potentially contagious, unhealthy dogs into the United States.

This measure is important because in recent years the United States has simultaneously experienced a large increase in the number of dogs imported for sale/adoption and a significant increase in disease consistent with imported pets. Diseases or parasites with increased incidence include a canine variant of previously believed to be eradicated in the U.S., canine flu, screwworm, brucellosis, and a variety of other infectious and zoonotic diseases directly related to irresponsibly-imported pets. Part of the problem surrounds a lack of checks and reporting on pet animals being imported into the U.S. Currently, it is not even known how many pets are imported into the U.S. annually. To complicate matters, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, has stated that animal health certificates required for entry into the U.S. are often invalid or forged.

It will require the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to submit a report to Congress that provides information from the last three years on the total number of dogs imported in the U.S. and a breakdown on the number of dogs imported as personal pets versus for retail sale of any kind, including shelter/rescue adoptions. Animal and zoonotic diseases pose serious risks to the U.S., and greater understanding of the pathways these diseases could be entering the U.S., such as via imported live dogs, is warranted. AKC has worked to educate members of Congress on this issue for several years and thanks the many members of Congress whose support and concern over that time has helped advance this measure.

Assistance to Victims of Domestic Violence. Another AKC supported measure, the Pets and Women's Safety Act (HR 909/S322), known as the PAWS act was also included in the final text of the Farm Bill conference report. The measure adds certain federal protections for pets owned by victims of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, and dating violence if a pet becomes a victim in a domestic violence situation. The measure further creates a program to award grants to eligible entities to aid victims of crimes related to stalking and domestic violence. This program is similar to a program established by the AKC Humane Fund a decade ago to provide support to domestic violence shelters so that victims can seek shelter with a pet that may be endangered in a domestic violence situation.

3) Kansas .....“The odds are good and the case for restoring horse and greyhound racing in Kansas is compelling,” Prohaska said. “However, legislative vigilance is critical and it will take written and vocal support from our grassroots supporters throughout the state.”  
Reiterating the point, Small said, “Contact your senators and representatives now about the importance of legislation returning horse and greyhound industries to Kansas.

4) Canada.... Last week, Quebec welcomed pets into the circle of “sentient” beings by granting them many of the same rights as children in the eyes of the law. The legislation, hailed as the “Animals are Not Things Manifesto” lifts the legal status of specific animals from mere property, i.e. inanimate objects like toaster ovens and iPhones that can be manipulated any which way, to sensitive, emotional beings that require nurturing and respect.  
This shift in how we think of our pets — from animals as property to animals as sensitive beings — isn’t just happening in Quebec. New Zealand and France changed their laws this year, too.  
This concludes the report of activity located associated with pets in legislation in the month of December, 2018.

## CCA NATIONAL SHOW CHAIR WILLO BARFIELD

All Contracts have been sent out to 2019 sweepstake judges and the 2020 judges have been contacted and their contracts have been sent to them. We need a judge for Junior Showmanship for the 2020 National (Linda George can not judge juniors). Kankakee River Valley Kennel Club letter asking for co-existing show date for 2019 has been sent with a copy to AKC. Onofrio contract has been signed for 2019. Applications will be sent to AKC as soon as I receive signed contracts from my sweepstake judges.

Photographer contract has been signed.

Hotel contract is signed for 2019 and 2020.

Motor Home update: The hotel will commit to 15-18 RV spots on the WEST side of the building free of charge. If we have more RVs, there will be a charge per motor home. Working on reducing that charge.

I would recommend an increase in the motor home parking fee.

Working on how to get Cruft Invitations for the Nationals.

The Welcome Party was a success in 2018. Going to have it again with a few changes to make it more enjoyable for all.

### CCA COMMITTEES 2019

Trophies – Kyle Potts, Michelle Brislin & Beth Thursby Veteran and Puppy Sweepstakes Trophies – Linda Herr Advertising and Publicity – Jen Newton

Vendors – Tracy Potts 16619 Fort Oswego St, San Antonio, Texas 78247

\* (210) 365-3248 \* email: tracypotts1@aol.com

Welcome – Racheal Miller

Motor Home Parking – Linda George

Top 20/CCA Banquet – Katherine Bornemann & Willo Barfield

Ring Stewards - Allynid M Bunten & Juan Vasquez

Match - ??

Judge Education – Linda George

Ways & Means – Paula McSwain & Terri DeJarnett

Photo Booth – Jen Newton

Juniors Inspirations – Donna Bledsoe

### EVENT COMMITTEE

Kyle Potts, Chairman-16619 Fort Oswego St-San Antonio, Tx 78247

Phone: (210) 273-3133 \* email: kylepottstx@aol.com

Officers of the Club & Members of the Board of Directors

## RESCUE LYNNIE BUNTEN

In the process of establishing the committee, and contacting last year’s members of the committee to see if we can come up with something useful and possible for CCA and rescue. As soon as the membership renewals come in, I will also contact any who are interested.

Proposed Rescue Committee Goals I’d like to identify: \*good and reputable Chihuahua rescue groups across the country, \*individuals who can help in their geographical area and \*find ways to help our members who are aging, to develop viable plans for their dogs when they are no longer able to care for them.



# REGIONAL REPORTS

## EASTERN REGION

**KRIS SPECHT**

East Regional Vice President

Hello out there! I am your voice. There are a few of you that I have heard from and I understand the opinions and wishes that I have heard. But it is a minority that have reached out to me with concerns and opinions. If you wish for me to represent you, I need to know what is important TO YOU! So hit me up? Find me at a show, or call me or email me or message me. I am way overcommitted so it may take me a bit to get back to you, but I care about what is important to you. If you are not already participating, the Chihuahua Club of America - East Region group Facebook page has spurts of activity that can be interesting. Feel free to find us and join in? I have chosen to allow all CCA members in good standing to join this group as I feel the more sharing of ideas among the membership, the better. So even if you aren't from around here, you are welcome. :)

Now having said that, I know it can be frustrating to see your good ideas wither and die. It may feel like you have no power to make things happen. Please know that your volunteer board is trying. We get frustrated too. Because every good idea, has another side to it. And our job as board members is to try to pop up and review all sides of a challenge and make an informed decision accordingly. It's not that we don't think that the idea has merit. An example: Wouldn't you LOVE to have a nicer venue for our national? Upon requesting proposals from 40+ venues in 5 states and after reviewing dozens of choices, you realize that only a couple of the options allow more than 4 dogs per room. And of those, most cost over \$120/night. sigh. Rte 66 is looking better. But you guys would have no way of knowing that is going on. You just think we want to stay in the same place perhaps? That is a tiny snapshot of what goes on behind the scenes. (ps - that is not an official statement about the future location of the national. Just an example of a process that I think it is fair to share with the membership.)

**LESLIE RILEY**

President

**Heart of New England Chihuahua Club**

The club is busy planning a double speciality with the Hudson Valley Chihuahua Club for April. Looking forward to seeing old and new friends. The club is busy working out all the fun details. We also would like to invite new members to the club. We're based out of New England but we'd like to extend an invite to all with interest including all of our Canadian friends! For an application you can mail Kris Specht at [hnecc.sec@gmail.com](mailto:hnecc.sec@gmail.com) We will have applications at the Speciality if your coming. Hope to see everyone soon ! See our facebook page for our raffle, sculpture by Pam McClintock... It could be yours....WOW!

**CHI CHATTER**

## EASTERN CENTRAL REGION

**H. CRAIG LESLIE**

East Central VP

**DR. ANNE VARGO**

President

**Chihuahua Club of Michigan**

The Chihuahua Club of Michigan wishes to invite everyone to our spring back-to-back specialties May 23-27 over Memorial Day weekend with our very own CCA president Lauren Payne set to judge and Bradley Jenkins. This show is combined with the West Michigan Apple Blossom Cluster and provides for 7 shows in just 5 days with puppy sweeps and silent auction! It is sure to be a success and a good time as in years past.

It is mostly quite here in the north over the winter with cold weather and snow limiting shows. Wishing everyone all the best with shows in this upcoming year!

**HEIDI CHIAPPETTA**

CCGM Secretary

**Chihuahua Club of Greater Milwaukee**

**DEBBIE ROBERTSON**

Secretary DCCGM

**Dixieland Chihuahua Club of Greater Memphis**

The Dixieland Chihuahua Club of Greater Memphis is putting the final touches on our 1st Chihuahua Specialty. We will be holding a Designated Specialty with the Greater Shelby Kennel Club. There will be 2 All-Breed Shows, 2 Memphis Toy Dog Shows and the DCCGM Chihuahua Specialty will be on Saturday; it is going to be an exciting weekend! We will also be holding a Silent Auction with lots of great items for everyone; additional details will be in the premium list. We look forward to everyone joining us for this special event!

Location: Tunica Arena and Exposition Center, 3873 Hwy 61 North, Tunica MS 38676

Date: Saturday June 22, 2019

Superintendent: Jack Onofrio

Judge Sweepstakes: Gina Shag

Judge Regular Classes: Robert Hutton

**CHERRY PARKER**

President

**Nashville Chihuahua Club**

**HEIDI CHIAPPETTA**

**CCGM Secretary**

**Chihuahua Club of Greater Milwaukee**

The Chihuahua Club of Greater Milwaukee will be holding our Specialty shows on Friday July 26, 2019. The Waukesha KC all breed shows will be held on Saturday July 27 and Sunday July 28. Just a short drive away are the Burlington Kennel Club shows, Monday July 29 and Tuesday July 30, 2019.

The Chihuahua Club of Greater Milwaukee will hold our annual meeting on Friday July 26 as well. We will again have a light lunch between shows and a silent auction. We are also pursuing having a picnic and puppy match in the evening after the specialties. This will be a great time to support Chihuahua Specialty shows.

Please plan on coming to Waukesha next summer. We need your support and entries to be able to continue holding specialties. Judging is inside and air conditioned with ample room for set up and crating. There is also plenty of room for RVs. Hookups and a dump station are available, please see details below regarding RV reservations. We look forward to your support in 2019!

#### **FRIDAY, JULY 26, 2019**

Back-to-back Specialties in indoor air-conditioned show site with grooming area near ring

Early show:

Breed Judge: Conformation/Junior Showmanship/NOHS: Miss Mary Ellen Meyer  
Puppy Sweepstakes: Miss Lee Kouski

Late show:

Breed Judge: Conformation/Junior Showmanship/NOHS: Mr. Luis Sosa

Activities to include:

Lunch offered by CCofGM between shows

Silent auction of Chihuahua-related items

For RV parking reservations, go to [www.waukeshacounty.gov/expo/](http://www.waukeshacounty.gov/expo/). Scroll down to the "campsite reservations" link to reserve your spot. Note, reservations are available starting March 01.

#### **SATURDAY, JULY 27, 2019**

Waukesha Kennel Club All-breed show on same show grounds, indoor ring, offering Junior Showmanship/NOHS

Breed Judge: Conformation/NOHS: Ms. Inga Semenschin,  
Toy Group: Ms. Lew Olson, BIS: Mr. Luis Sosa  
NOHS Toy Group: Mr. John Constantine-Amondei,  
NOHS BIS: Mr. John R. Boozer III

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 28, 2019**

Waukesha Kennel Club All-breed show on same show grounds, indoor ring, offering Junior Showmanship/NOHS

Breed Judge: Conformation/NOHS: Mr. John Constantine-Amondei,  
Toy Group: Mr. John Constantine-Amondei, BIS: Mr. Michael Gelinis  
NOHS Toy Group: Ms. Inga Semenschin, NOHS BIS: Mr. Luis Sosa

#### **MONDAY, JULY 29, 2019**

Burlington Kennel Club All-Breed show in Elkhorn, WI, approximately 32 miles SW of Waukesha, indoor breed ring, outdoor group ring, offering Junior Showmanship/NOHS

Breed Judge: Conformation/NOHS: Mr. Raymond Filburn,  
Toy Group: Mr. Raymond Filburn, BIS: MS. Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine  
NOHS Toy Group: Ms. Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine,  
NOHS BIS: Ms. Mareth Kipp

#### **TUESDAY, JULY 30, 2019**

Burlington Kennel Club All-Breed show in Elkhorn, WI, approximately 32 miles SW of Waukesha, indoor breed ring, outdoor group ring, offering Junior Showmanship

Breed Judge: Conformation: Ms. Peggy Beisel McIlwaine,  
Toy Group: Ms. Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine, BIS: Dr. Eric Liebes

## **WEST CENTRAL REGION**

**JESSICA SIMON**

West Central Region VP

**CONNIE WILLIAMS**

Secretary

**Houston Chihuahua Club**

The Houston Chihuahua Club would like to announce our new 2019 Officers and BOD:

President – Joao Machado  
Vice President – Mack Williams  
Treasurer – Sandy Hanson  
Secretary – Connie Williams  
Randy Carr – BOD  
Linda Evans – BOD

Rachael Miller – BOD  
Life Time Members:  
Joseph Durbin  
Cindy Allen  
Randy Carr  
Sharon Couch

Our back to back Specialties will be on Friday, August 23rd, 2019. At the gorgeous Omni Hotel – West, on I-10, Houston, Texas. Mr. Eugene Blake, Oklahoma, will be Judging our morning specialty. Loma Foster will be the Sweepstakes Judge in the morning. Mr. Luis Esperon, Brazil, will be Judging our afternoon specialty. Mr. Ralphe Sadek Sauandag will be Judging the Sweepstakes in the afternoon. Onofrio is our Superintendent.

We have some really special trophies planned and ordered for both shows. Trophy donations are gladly accepted and very much appreciated. Connie Williams [ccw1015@prodigy.net](mailto:ccw1015@prodigy.net)

We are in conjunction with the Toy Club of Greater Houston. The Toy Shows are on Saturday, August 24th and Sunday, August 25th, 2019. The Toy Club Chihuahua Judges are Benson Ray and Sharon Masnick – South Carolina.

**4 Chihuahua Shows in 3 days!** All under one roof. In the air-conditioned, spacious, ballroom of the lovely Omni Hotel. We hope you will make plans to join us. Come help us make those majors again this year!

## WEST REGION

**SHAWN JONES**

West Region VP

**DEBBIE FRANKLIN**

Secretary

**Chihuahua Club of Northern CA**

The Chihuahua Club of Northern California, Inc, is currently working on our annual Woofstock Specialty show that begins the 2019 Woofstock circuit that offers the opportunity for five majors with our specialty and four days of all breed shows in a fun filled atmosphere that takes us all back in time to an era filled with music, peace and love. We begin the weekend with our specialty scheduled for Wednesday June 5, 2019 starting at 1 pm. Our sweepstakes judge is Ms Roz Coloma-Guerrero, from Gilroy, CA. Our conformation judge is Ms Kim Ramey-LeBlanc, from Ontario, Canada.

Our Woofstock slate includes Linda Hurlebaus, Peggy Beisel-McIlwaine, Bradley Jenkins and Joseph Gregory. These are shows you won't want to miss, we hope to see you at our third annual CCNC Woofstock Specialty 2019, its a groovy show.

**CHRISTIE FOULK**

President

**Southern California Chihuahua Club**

Greetings from Soggy Southern California!! We have certainly had more rain than we are used to, but it is so nice to see all the beautiful green on our hillsides!!! Soon we will be back to our usual sunny skies and warm temperatures!

This past Fall and Winter we have tried to focus on reaching out and supporting our local shelters. They were quite burdened with lost and injured animals due to the recent fires. Most shelters are usually not prepared with the tiny kibble that our little ones need. Our member Becky Yohonn researched several shelters and found the very real need for this and for any type of warm bedding. Members stepped up and collected blankets and beds, the tiny kibble and canned foods suitable for Chihuahuas and other toy breeds. The Shelters have been so very Grateful.

With Spring on the way the Southern California Chihuahua Club is busy preparing for our Annual (86 Th) Specialty Show. Please join us on Saturday April 20, 2019. Our show will be held concurrently with the Angeles Canyon Dog Show. The ACDC show will be held in the morning with our Specialty being held in the afternoon. There will be four additional shows this weekend, check Jack Bradshaw Superintendents for further information. Our Conformation Judge will be Mr. Jon R Cole, and Ms. Camille Baker will be our Veteran and Puppy Sweepstakes Judge. We always host a fabulous buffet for Exhibitors and our wonderful SCCC club members are busy working on our fantastic Raffle!

We are looking forward to welcoming you and your beautiful Chihuahuas to our neck of the woods! Come on over for the show, and better yet stay an extra day or two and enjoy our sunny, sandy beaches!

**MICHELLE SMITH**

Vice President

**Evergreen Chihuahua Club**

Hello Everyone!

We have been hard at work putting the final touches on our October Specialties. Come join us October 5th & 6th, 2019 at the Enumclaw Expo Center for 4 Specialties in 2 Days! We are holding our Specialties concurrent with The Toy Dog Of Puget Sound Specialties. Our judges this year will be Christine Martinez and Keiko Shimizu. We will be hosting a Taco Bar Saturday night and Silent Auction. So come ready to eat, bid and have some fun! Sunday will feature the costume contest along with the specialties, of course. Our show superintendent is Baray. Good luck and may the best Chihuahua win!



# CCA WEBSITE HOW TO USE AND WHAT TO FIND

JEN NEWTON, CCA WEBMASTER

## LOGGING IN THE CCA WEBSITE

To log into the CCA Website, simply click the MEMEBRS ONLY link in the upper right-hand corner. There you will see a username and password field to use to login.

When we designed the new CCA website a few years back, we had to create a username and password for each club member to gain access to the backend. Those credentials were emailed to the email address we had on file at the time. The standard protocol for all accounts created was; first name spelled out and last name initial.

### **For example, my username is jennifern**

Most times we have members trying to login with usernames they themselves would have created, forgetting the above-mentioned protocol, The other issue is usually because the email address we had on file is no longer used by the member. If you are trying the login and running into troubles, use the protocol above for your username and click the Forgot My Password link to reset your password.

If you no longer have access to the email address we had on file, please contact me directly with your updated email address so the account can be adjusted manually.

To log into the back end of the website or request a password: Click on the link that says MEMBERS ONLY in the upper right-hand corner. Enter your username and password in the appropriate fields

## **OR**

Click the Forgot your Password link Enter a username (first initial last name) or your email address you submitted to the CCA with your membership

### **I'm logged in, now what?**

Once you are logged into the website you can access the member's only section as well as update your roster information. You can also add yourself to the Breeder Directory if desired. Once logged in, click the WELCOME CCA MEMBERS on the top menu.

- Towards the right, you will see the link CCA MEMBERS.
- Locate your entry using the SEARCH field.
- Click on your name to open your full entry.
- Click the EDIT ENTRY to edit your information.

Using the form, you can update your information:

- Image (your head shot)
- Logo (for Breeder Directory)
- Messenger IDs (Skype, AIM, Yahoo IM etc)
- Social Media IDs (Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, Instagram, etc)
- Links (Website, blog, etc)
- Bio

Anything that is set to PUBLIC can be seen by visitors as well as logged in members. Anything set to PRIVATE can only be seen by logged in members.

# CCA Orlando Regional Show

## Kenny Sanez

On December 14, 2018 the regional in Orlando was a complete success. We had 97 total entries. Judge Cathy Molitaris had three Junior handler entries. Due to the fact that the AKC had a Sweepstakes extravaganza, Kathy judged the Chihuahua puppies there as well.

Long time Chihuahua fancier and judge Sallie Buckmann judged the regular classes. Her eventual breed winner was the Longcoated Variety winner, GCH Tega's Let's Have A Party. The Smoothcoat Variety winner was GCH Knockout Never Say Never. There were some lovely dogs entered.

It was fun to see people from so many areas of the country participate in our show.

This venue provides us an opportunity to showcase our breed at the AKC's premier event. Chihuahuas were one of the Top 5 entries of the weekend!

We should thank Linda George for a very successful Judges Education seminar. It was well-attended. Many members provided dogs for the hands on portion of the seminar.

Once again, our Meet The Breeds booth was successful. The Chihuahua booth won the Toy Group competition. Viva Chihuahuas!

For next year, it would be nice to include a complete intervariety competition for class exhibits. Thanks to everyone involved in helping create an awesome weekend!

For next year, I would surely love some additional volunteers. If you are interested in helping out, please contact me at [kmscca@aol.com](mailto:kmscca@aol.com). Suggestions? Contact me.

It was brought to my attention by several members that some All Breed clubs are assigning the judging of both varieties in different rings. Perhaps this is something that we could address?







# Chihuahua Club of America

## SURVEY FOR FUTURE SHOWS

In an effort to make informed decisions with regard to upcoming show sites, we are asking that you, the membership, complete the following survey as to what you would like to see at future Chihuahua Club of America Regional/ National Specialties show weekends.

Please check a box in each of the columns below to indicate your preferences. **YOUR INPUT IS IMPORTANT.**

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

### 1. OVER THE LAST 5 YEARS I HAVE ATTENDED THE NATIONAL SPECIALTY

- ☐ 0 times
- ☐ 1 times
- ☐ 2 times
- ☐ 3 times
- ☐ 4 times
- ☐ 5 or more times

**Over the last 5 years I have traveled to the national specialty via:**

- ☐ Car
- ☐ Motorhome
- ☐ Plane

**If by motorhome, I would need motorhome parking?**

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

**Please check the boxes that impact your decision on deciding to come to the National Specialty**

- ☐ Judging Panel
- ☐ Cost of Travel
- ☐ Location
- ☐ Having Animals to Exhibit
- ☐ Personal (health, vacation, time, etc).
- ☐ Distance of show site from major airport
- ☐ Shuttle transportation from airport to/from hotel
- ☐ Hotel on the same grounds as the show site
- ☐ Availability of Motor home parking
- ☐ Cost of hotel per night
- ☐ Number of Dogs allowed in the room

### 2. ADDITIONAL DAY

Educational seminars have always been an important part of the National Specialty weekend. In order to facilitate time for a seminar, we would have to add an additional day, due to having two varieties.

Would you consider adding another day to your show weekend to attend seminars

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Would you be willing to enter the 4-6 Month Beginner Puppy Competition on additional day?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

### 3. **DOGS PER ROOM**

The Holiday Inn Route 66 in St. Louis currently allows 10 dogs/room. In the event that we change hotels, what would be the realistic number of dogs you would like to see allowed. *(In order to increase the number of dogs allowed per room, the cost of the rooms may increase, depending on location).*

- ☐ 2-4 dogs per room
- ☐ 4-6 dogs per room
- ☐ 6-8 dogs per room
- ☐ 8-10 dogs per room

### 4. **ROOM RATES**

The Holiday Inn Route 66 in St. Louis currently charges \$95/night.

In the event we decide to change hotels, what would the maximum you be willing to spend per night?

- ☐ \$90-\$114 per night
- ☐ \$115-\$130 per night
- ☐ \$131-\$150 per night
- ☐ \$141-\$200 per night

### 5. **SPECIALTY EVENTS**

How likely are you to attend the following events/activities? Please check the following, 0 being unlikely and 5 being very likely

	UNLIKELY = 0						LIKELY = 5					
<input type="checkbox"/> CHIC Health Clinics	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<input type="checkbox"/> Seminars	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<input type="checkbox"/> Grooming Seminars	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<input type="checkbox"/> Handling	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<input type="checkbox"/> Welcome Party	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<input type="checkbox"/> Top 20	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER - LIST	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)

### PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR EXTRA DAY

The following is a proposed schedule for the Wednesday before the Regional and National Specialty Shows:

9:00 am to 3:00 pm CHIC Clinic (Micro Chipping/Heart/Eyes/ Possible Patella)

10:00 am 'Planning For When You Are Not There' [Estate planning and Protecting your dog(s) if something happens]  
( 2 hour seminar)

12:00 Noon Lunch

1:00 pm to 3:00 pm Grooming & Handling Tips

4:00 pm National Beginner Puppy Classes

### **SURVEY DEADLINE — MARCH 31, 2019:**

*Please Mail OR Email to:*

**Ms. Lauren Payne**  
**10 Ahern Avenue**  
**Windsor Locks, CT 06096-6621**  
**lapaynel@gmail.com**

**SURVEY WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE VIA MAILCHIMP FOR COMPLETION ONLINE**



*Southern California*  
**CHIHUAHUA CLUB PRESENTS**  
**A CHANCE FOR**  
**5 MAJORS IN 4 DAYS**

**SCCC SPECIALTY APRIL 20TH, 2019**

**ALL BREED SHOWS APRIL 18-21**

Judges:

Sweepstakes: Ms. Camille Bakker

Regular Classes: Mr. Jon R. Cole

Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes Offered

Industry Hills Exposition Center  
Enter all 5 shows on Jack Bradshaw

**WE HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!**

# **CHIHUAHUA CLUB OF GREATER MILWAUKEE**

## **BACK-TO-BACK SPECIALTY SHOWS FRIDAY, JULY 26, 2019**



**PLEASE JOIN US IN WAUKESHA, WISCONSIN FOR BACK-TO-BACK SPECIALTY SHOWS**

**EARLY SHOW JUDGES:**

**MS. MARY ELLEN MEYER - CONFORMATION**

**MS. LEE KOUSKI - SWEEPSTAKES**

**LATE SHOW JUDGE:**

**MR. LUIS SOSA**

- **LUNCHEON SERVED BETWEEN SPECIALTY SHOWS FRIDAY**
- **SILENT AUCTION FRIDAY**

**SAME SHOW SITE WAUKESHA KENNEL CLUB ALL-BREED SHOWS**

**SATURDAY JULY 27TH AND SUNDAY 28TH, 2019**

**BURLINGTON KC ALL-BREED SHOWS IN ELKHORN, WI**

**JULY 29TH AND 30TH**

**SUPERINTENDENT ALL SHOWS: ROY JONES DOG SHOWS**