



# CSPCA EXPRESS

## January 2018

Newsletter of the Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America, Inc.



**Chinese Shar-Pei  
Club of America, Inc.**

### CSPCA Board of Directors & Officers

**President-** Georgette Schaefer

**Vice President-** Mike Barker

**Secretary-** Melissa Castillo

**Treasurer-** Lynn Olds

**Eastern Director-** Don Gillett

**Central Director-** Ann Cookson

**Western Director-** Mike Hardy

### **Directors at Large**

\*Tammy Bohlke

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**Website-** [www.cspca.com](http://www.cspca.com)

**Facebook-** Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America

Chinese Shar-Pei Club of America - Rescue

Chinese Shar-Pei National Specialty 2018

The Barker has moved to a quarterly publication and the CSPCA Express bi-monthly newsletter was instituted to provide members with timely information and announcements. The newsletter also allows applicants to move to full membership and gain privileges in a shorter time period.

The CSPCA Express is a work in progress and we welcome your feedback. Please contact Melissa Castillo ([Melissa.Castillo2@laverne.edu](mailto:Melissa.Castillo2@laverne.edu)) or Alex Mossotti ([AlexMo.ssotti@gmail.com](mailto:AlexMo.ssotti@gmail.com)) with any comment or concern.

## **CSPCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The CSPCA would like to welcome the new and returning board members for 2018!

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*\*Indicates new to the board*

The Board of Directors would like to thank the retiring President Cate Stewart for her service to the club. We would like to extend a warm welcome to the new board member Mike Barker as Vice President, filling that spot which was vacated by Georgette Schaefer as she takes over as our new President.

### ***New Volunteers!***



The Board would like to thank everyone who submitted their names to volunteer for our volunteer openings! Please join us in thanking and welcoming the following new volunteers!

**CSPCA Vice-President:** Mike Barker

**National Specialty Show Coordinator:** Marge Calltharp

**Invitational Program:** Chairman, Debbie Theodore & Co-Chair, Cyndi Cheek

Our thanks to all our amazing **CSPCA** volunteers!

## **NOMINATING COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS**



The CSPCA Board will be looking for volunteers for the Nominating Committee. We try to give preference to those that have not yet served when possible, but all names will be considered. Three (3) members are needed, one from each of the three regions of the USA and two alternates will make up the committee. All must be members in good standing and no more than one of who may be a member of the current Board of Directors. If you would like to be considered, please send your name to Melissa Castillo, 1587 Club Drive, Pomona, CA 91768 [Melissa.castillo2@laverne.edu](mailto:Melissa.castillo2@laverne.edu) by **March 1, 2018**.

From the CSPCA By-Laws:

### **ARTICLE V- THE CLUB YEAR, VOTING, NOMINATIONS, ELECTIONS**

**Section 4. Nominations.** No person may be a candidate in a Club election who has not been nominated in accordance with these Bylaws. A Nominating Committee shall be chosen by the Board of Directors by **March 1, 2018**. The committee shall consist of three members from each of the three regions and two alternates, all members in good standing, no more than one of whom may be a member of the current Board



of Directors. The Board shall name a chairman for the committee. The Nominating Committee may conduct its business by mail, in person, telephone, or facsimile transmission.

- A. The nominating committee shall nominate from among the eligible members of the Club, one candidate for each office and each position on the Board of Directors and shall procure the written acceptance of each nominee so chosen. The committee should consider the geographical representation of the membership on the Board to the extent that it is practicable to do so and ensure the nominee has been a member in good standing for at least the previous 2 years. The committee shall then submit its slate of candidates to the Secretary by **April 1**. The Secretary shall immediately forward the list of candidates to the editors of the Newsletter and the Barker for publication to the membership so that additional nominations may be made by the members if they so desire.

**My apologies for leaving these beautiful winners out from the November newsletter. Congratulations to the beautiful dogs and their owners on their success at Nationals!**

—Melissa Castillo [Melissa.castillo2@laverne.edu](mailto:Melissa.castillo2@laverne.edu)



#### **NATIONALS 4-6 MONTH BEGINNER PUPPY CLASS**

**BOB** No Faux Paw Rock N Royal Kinsey, owners Sue & Roy Anderson

**BOS** No Faux Paw Heart of Rock N Roll, Owners Dixie & Mike Williams

#### **HIGH IN TRIAL OBEDIENCE**

**CH MACH.** 4 Mikobi's Got Beef?, **BN, RE, CDX, MXS2, MJB2, OAP, OJP, MXF, MFS, TQX, T2B, CAA, CGC** owner Marla Marlow

#### **RALLY NOVICE A**

1<sup>st</sup> Xiao Mai's The Macallan J. Bauer/A. Bauer



### **UPCOMING SPECIALTY SHOWS**

#### **FEBRUARY 2018**

##### **ARIZONA CHINESE SHAR-PEI CLUB OF PHOENIX**

FEBRUARY 2-3, 2018 — Concurrent Specialties

**Shows Close:** January 17, 2018

Sahuaro State Kennel Club

Arizona State Fairgrounds; 1826 W McDowell Road; Phoenix, AZ

Show Secretary: Stephanie Weise — [doggie\\_sec@hotmail.com](mailto:doggie_sec@hotmail.com)

(909) 518-0949 website: [doggiesecretary.ambercreek.net](http://doggiesecretary.ambercreek.net)

**Conformation Judges:** Cheryl Anderson (4183) & Christine Calcinari (7041)

**Sweepstakes Judges:** Beverly Andersen (6209) and Carol Brown (31144)

##### **HOOSIER STATE CHINESE SHAR-PEI CLUB**

FEBRUARY 8-11, 2018 - Indy Winter Classic Dog Shows

Entry Fees: \$27 first entry; \$22 puppy entry; \$15 puppy sweeps. Closing Date: Noon Jan. 24, 2018

Indiana State Fair Grounds, 1202 E. 38th St., Indianapolis, IN 46205

Show Chair: Victoria Straub, 2311 Blackiston Mill Rd., Clarksville, IN 47129; 502-810-8088

Judges:

**Thurs., Feb. 8:** Supported Entry: Loraine Boutwell

**Fri., Feb. 9:** Specialty: Sweeps Judge - Dorothy Schuerman; Specialty Judge: Gloria Gerringer

**Sat., Feb. 10:** Specialty: Sweeps Judge - Fluerette Hattenburg Miller; Specialty Judge: Roger Pritchard

**Sun., Feb. 11:** Supported Entry: Barbara Dempsy Alderman



Superintendent: Roy Jones Dog Shows, [RJDS@royjonesdogshows.com](mailto:RJDS@royjonesdogshows.com)  
Facebook: Hoosier State Chinese Shar-Pei Club@HSCSPC

### MARCH 2018



**CHINESE SHAR-PEI CLUB OF AMERICA, INC.**  
**SPONSORED BY BONNIE BERNEY AND HELGA KAMP**

March 31- April 1, 2018

Claremore Expo Center; Dupont Street & Hwy 20; Claremore, OK

Show Secretary: Stephanie Weise — [doggie\\_sec@hotmail.com](mailto:doggie_sec@hotmail.com)

Superintendent: Onofrio Dog Shows [mail@onofrio.com](mailto:mail@onofrio.com)

**Judges: Mar. 31- Judge-** Mrs. Anne Katona **April 1- Judge-** Dana P Cline



### APRIL 2018

**DESERT TO THE SEA CHINESE SHAR-PEI CLUB OF RIVERSIDE**

April 7-8, 2018 — Four Specialties, One Weekend!

**Shows Close:** March 21, 2018

Hotel Claremont — Claremont, CA

Show Secretary: Stephanie Weise — [doggie\\_sec@hotmail.com](mailto:doggie_sec@hotmail.com)

(909) 518-0949 website: [doggiesecretary.ambercreek.net](http://doggiesecretary.ambercreek.net)

**Conformation:** Linn Klingel-Brown, Michelle Shultz\*, Patrick Byrne\* and Debra Ferguson-Jones\*

**Sweepstakes:** Judge Penny Inan and one TBA

Pending AKC Approval

### MAY 2018

**GOLDEN STATE CHINESE SHAR-PEI CLUB**

MAY 26-27, 2018 — *Concurrent Specialties* — **MISSION CIRCUIT**

**Shows Close:** May 9, 2018

Los Encinos Kennel Club and Antelope Valley Kennel Club

Los Angeles County Fairplex; 1101 W. McKinley Avenue; Pomona, CA 91768

Show Secretary: Stephanie Weise — [doggie\\_sec@hotmail.com](mailto:doggie_sec@hotmail.com)

(909) 518-0949 website: [doggiesecretary.ambercreek.net](http://doggiesecretary.ambercreek.net)

**Conformation Judges** Christie Martinez and Kathryn Cowsert\* Sweepstakes Judge: TBA

Pending AKC Approval



## DON'T FORGET!

If your name changes, your email address changes, you move to a new address, have a new phone number or you have a change from family

Membership to a single membership or vice versa, please let your Membership Chairman know so he can make those changes in our Roster.

If you pay for membership or other items on the CSPCA website either through PayPal or MasterCard/Visa, please be sure to include

In the description line what you are paying for, Example- Membership Renewal etc. Also if you are paying with a business account please also include in the description line your name so you get the proper credit for your payment.

Junior Memberships are free but all Juniors must reply to the renewal notice each year so we know that you are still showing in Juniors and want to keep your Junior Membership.

Please check your spam folder regularly as we don't want you to miss any mail from the CSPCA. Sometimes email servers will send emails to spam that are not spam. Some people have found their renewal notices from us in their spam folder as well as some of our newsletters. It is a good idea to check that folder regularly so you don't miss email from others as well.

## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR CSPCA VALUED MEMBERS AWARD



The **CSPCA Valued Member Award** is seen as a way to recognize the many individuals who contribute positively to our breed or club. The CSPCA is a large and diverse organization with no paid employees. Therefore, the efforts of our volunteers are directly responsible for the success of our club and its programs. I believe it is an honor to be able to reward a CSPCA member for distinguished service.

Now it is your opportunity to follow suit and nominate another CSPCA member as YOUR Most Valued Member choice. This award is **NOT** just something to be passed around amongst friends, in fact is actually our hope that you do **NOT** do this. Instead, it is for that unsung hero who works for the CSPCA with their heart and soul, who has contributed their time, energy and efforts to the Club, our CSPCA, because of their love for the Breed and the Club which fosters it. It is for a person who is one of those folks who so often works very hard behind the scenes, not asking for or expecting recognition but working because they care, because it is just what they DO. It is for a person who is not just a member of the CSPCA, but who makes a truly valuable contribution to the CSPCA — thus a Most Valued Member award. We want to let these unsung heroes **KNOW** that we see what they give to the CSPCA and our breed and that we honestly appreciate it.

If you know of someone who deserves this award and has not received it yet, please consider nominating them. **We need a brief write up of why you think the person should get the award, along with their name and your name. Include the things they have done for the club that make them a Valued Member in your write up.** The board will take all the nominations and select one winner each quarter. **The deadline for nominations is March 19.** All nominations should be sent to Cathi DiGiacomo at [cathi1947@comcast.net](mailto:cathi1947@comcast.net) If the person that you nominated wins, you will be notified and will need to get a high-resolution photo for printing in The Barker. *All winners will be announced in The Barker and with a certificate at the CSPCA Awards Program the following year.*

*If you miss this deadline, the next deadline will be June 19, 2018.*

### **Alphabetical Order of People that have won the award and therefore are ineligible to be nominated again.**

Loretta Anders	Darin Cox	Don Gillett	Tami Luddeke	Georgette Schaefer
Roy Anderson	Gayle Gold Creasman	Larry Harvey	Lisa Myers	Debby Smith
Lee Arnold	Terry Faulkner	Debbie Johnson	Rebecca Pentecost	Dr. Linda Tintle
Jocelyn Barker	Alice Fix	Alan Klessig	Paula Perry	Dr. Jeff Vidt
Marilyn Braunstein	Beverly Foster	Barbara LaVere	Harry Roach	Marilyn Vinson
Karen Burgess	Holly Fuller	Annabelle Linn	Pat Zimmer Roach	Melissa Walquist
Ann Cookson	Gari Gardner	Deanna Liskey	Kay Rosenberger	Louise Watson



### **Barker Photo Contest Reminder**

This year's contest is "Dogs in Nature". The deadline is not until September 30, 2018 so there is plenty of time to plan and get your photos for submission. The complete instructions can be found in The Barker magazine and also on the CSPCA website. Look under the "Club Info" button and then click on the "Forms" button.

# CSPCA National Specialty 2018



October 8–12, 2018

Delta Hotels South Sioux City Riverfront

385 East 4th Street

South Sioux City, Nebraska 68776

Phone 402-494-4000, Option #0

Room rate \$104.00 per night + tax

<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/suxde-delta-hotels-south-sioux-city-riverfront/>

Room rate is good for 3 days prior to Nationals and 3 days after Nationals if rooms are available. There are king rooms and double queen rooms in the block. *Suites are available but not discounted.* \$25 non-refundable deposit for all rooms with dogs.

## **Tentative Schedule – Subject to change**

**Sun. Oct. 7~** Move-in & Set Up. Puppy Fun Match

**Mon. Oct. 8~** Regional Specialty, Welcome Party

**Tues. Oct. 9~** Futurity/Maturity, Top 25 Invitational Dinner & Judging

**Wed. Oct. 10~** Sweepstakes. General Membership Meeting, Awards Dinner & Program

**Thurs. Oct. 11~** Dogs, Bitches, Stud Dog & Brood Bitch, Judges Education

**Fri. Oct. 12~** Junior Showmanship, Non-Regular Veterans, Best of Breed, Best Owner Handled, Best Bred By Exhibitor, Best Veteran & Brace Class, Judges Education

Here is a map of Scenic Park Campgrounds. You can start reserving today at 402-494-7531 for 2018 Nationals.



**Judges ~ Pending AKC Approval**

**OB/Rally-** Pending

**Futurity/Maturity-** Bradley Jenkins #7469

**Sweeps Bitches, Best Puppy & Veteran Dogs-** Susanna Bjornsson

**Sweeps Dogs, Best Veteran & Veteran Bitches-** Arlene Dannemiller

**Dogs ,Bitches, Stud Dog & Brood Bitch-** Marilyn Vinson #55614

**Juniors, BOB-** Vicki Abbott #6644

Please join the Chinese Shar-Pei National Specialty 2018 Facebook Page to get more information about everything to do with Nationals and the surrounding area.





## Please Notice This

## 2020 CSPCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY

THE SELECTION PROCESS FOR THE 2020 CSPCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY IS NOW OPEN TO ANY MEMBER THAT IS INTERESTED IN OBTAINING A BID FROM A HOTEL LOCATED IN ZONE 1 WHICH COVERS THE FOLLOWING STATES:

- WASHINGTON
- CALIFORNIA
- NEVADA
- ARIZONA
- OREGON
- IDAHO
- UTAH

THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) AND ANSWER SHEET TO BE PRESENTED TO THE HOTEL ARE LOCATED ON THE MEMBERS WEBSITE. (LOG IN WITH YOUR USER NAME AND PASSWORD THE DOCUMENTS ARE LOCATED UNDER ARCHIVED DOCUMENTS) ALL QUESTIONS MUST BE ANSWERED BY THE HOTEL LIAISON USUALLY THE SALES MANAGER.

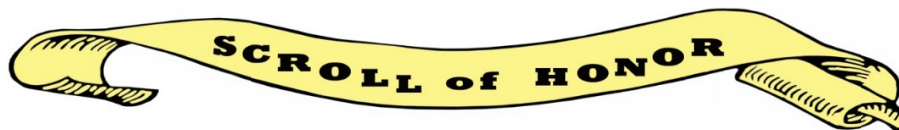
*IT IS IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT THIS IS A TIME-CONSUMING TASK AND YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO HANDLE RESEARCH, EVALUATING HOTELS, WORKING WITH THE PROCUREMENT COMMITTEE TO OBTAIN FOLLOW UP INFORMATION, CLARIFICATION AND IF NEEDED A BEST AND FINAL OFFER FROM THE HOTEL.*



IF YOU PREFER YOU CAN SUBMIT THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF A HOTEL YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE CONSIDERED AND WE WILL HAVE HELMS BRISCOE A PROCUREMENT COMPANY THAT HAS WORKED ON BEHALF OF THE CSPCA SINCE 2016 TO INCLUDE ON THEIR LIST OF PROPRIETARY HOTELS. AS A INTERNATIONAL PROCUREMENT COMPANY, HELMS BRISCOE IS WELL VERSED IN ALL THE PROCESSES TO MANAGE THE REQUIRED TASKS.

TO BE CONSIDERED BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED TO MIKE HARDY, COMMITTEE LEAD, AT [mdjhardy@gmail.com](mailto:mdjhardy@gmail.com), NO LATER THAN **FEBRUARY 5<sup>TH</sup>**. DUE TO STRICT TIME LIMITS, THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE DUE DATE.

DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT MIKE HARDY BY EMAIL OR YOU MAY CALL HIM AT [310.890.1456](tel:310.890.1456) IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.



Vicki O'Neill is collecting the names of those dogs that pass away during 2018. If you have a dog that passes this year and would like to have them recognized after the end of year, please send her the name of the dog, Include the registered name, call name, full date of birth and death and name of the owners. If owned by more than one person, all owners must give permission for inclusion. Vicki O'Neill, Chairman at [jihlo@q.com](mailto:jihlo@q.com).

It's never too early to start planning on great donations for [The Beverly Thornton-Wall Silent Auction & Raffle](#). Proceeds benefit our Breed Charities: Rescue Trust & The Charitable Trust for Health research. These photographs are recent donations from a long time Pei Owner. They will be available at 2018 National Specialty! Thank you [Sue Schneider](#)  
Holly Fuller [hafu2112@yahoo.com](mailto:hafu2112@yahoo.com)



## POAG/PLL Test

The Animal Health Trust's paper detailing their findings about the relationship of a deletion mutation in ADAMTS17 and Primary Open Angle Glaucoma (POAG) and Primary Lens Luxation (PLL) in Chinese Shar-Pei is published in the January 2018 edition of the American Journal of Veterinary Research.

Important information for Shar-Pei owners and breeders:

To celebrate this publication the AHT is offering a 15% discount on the Shar-Pei POAG/PLL test in January. This discount is available to all Shar-Pei Owners. I recommend that breeders and concerned owners take advantage of this discount.

A link to the test information is here:

<http://www.ahtdnatesting.co.uk/test-step-2/?type=canine&breed=111>

Comments on the published paper:

The testing was conducted on 21 Shar-Pei affected with glaucoma and/or lens luxation. All affected Shar-Pei were carrying two copies of the mutated gene. It is inherited as an autosomal recessive gene. Unaffected dogs carried either two wild-type ("normal") genes or carried one mutated gene. It is scientifically strong research conducted on 63 Shar-Pei and 96 non-Shar-Pei.

Other dog breeds have also been shown to have this or similar genetic mutations affecting this ADAMTS family of proteins leading to POAG and/or PLL. It is a buccal mucosal (cheek swab) test. Details are available on the AHT page linked to here below. "Proteins of the ADAMTS family are secreted enzymes that have important roles in extracellular matrix degradation and turnover and are involved in the assembly, stability, and anchorage of microfibrils that are known to be essential components of mammalian aqueous humor outflow pathways and lens zonules."

And most importantly, I agree with this statement from the paper:

"The DNA test may also enable breeders to eliminate the variant allele, and potentially the disease, from the Shar-Pei breed over time, while allowing judicious breeding of carriers that have other, desirable genetic characteristics that are advantageous to retain."

Signs of POAG/PLL are usually detectable before 3 years of age. Intraocular testing (IOP) can be performed by your veterinarian or veterinary ophthalmologist if you are concerned about risk but it would not be as predictive as the genetic testing. There are some medical interventions that can keep affected dogs comfortable for long periods of time but ultimately most affected dogs (double carriers) go blind from this disease. And this is why testing of breeding animals is important. Two asymptomatic carriers can produce puppies that go blind at an early age.

Dr. Linda Tintle, DVM





# FOREVER HOMES NEEDED

The CSPCA and its members sincerely appreciate the work provided by these fine affiliated rescue groups.

Contact a wonderful volunteer at the email listed below for additional information.

**Make a web visit! While you are there consider making a donation to help these beautiful Shar-Pei!**



Bruno is a 4-year-old horse coat male fostering in the Phoenix area. We are still getting to know him but so far he is great with other dogs. His alpha Shar-Pei foster sister gave him the stamp of approval! He lived in a home with children so we know he is good with kids big and little. He may have some hearing loss but will have our vet evaluate prior to adoption. He doesn't appear to have any skin issues!

Look for Bruno at [www.peipeople.com](http://www.peipeople.com)



Rocky is a very sweet young (around 2) boy. Loves everyone, gets along with other dogs but gets very excited over cats. So I would say a no cat family is advised. He was picked up as a stray and had a skin infection which was treated is cleared up but his hair is coming in white in some areas. (Face). Rocky is looking for his forever home and a family to love like he deserves. [sharpei Rescue@prodigy.net](mailto:sharpei Rescue@prodigy.net)

<http://www.sharpei Rescue.com/adopt/available-dogs/adoptables-in-america/new-york/rocky.html>



My name is Zena, but I'm affectionately known as Zena Bean. Wagging my tail is my absolute favorite thing to do; and it's contagious, too! When my foster mommy gets excited, she even does a "Zena wag" herself. I am an amazingly cute pug and Shar-Pei mix. I am approximately 3 years old and I simply ADORE all people. I enjoy walks and even jogging with my foster mom. I am fully vetted, crate trained and house trained. Did I mention I smile all time? That's because I love to be with my people. And, I am great with kids! I need to be an only dog. I am not a fan of other dogs or even kitties.

Call Lottie: [302-521-6537](tel:302-521-6537) <http://www.macspro.org/node/361>



Tank is a handsome fawn horse coat with a big personality. He's easy-going and seems to get along with everyone he meets. He enjoys walks, interacting with the volunteers and sitting for treats. Tank weathered some tough times in his life but he's put all that behind him. Life has turned around for the better. Tank's bags are packed and he's ready to start the next chapter in his life.

[http://www.operationscarlet.com/opscarlet/Available\\_files/tank.html](http://www.operationscarlet.com/opscarlet/Available_files/tank.html)



Ollie is very friendly, loves to go for walks and is not hesitant to approach new people. He is being fostered with a female Shar-Pei and he greets her with his tail wagging! At this time, we don't know about cats. Ollie enjoys playing with squeaky toys and carries them around with him. Ollie would be very happy in a home with another dog (I think he is partial to females!) but would be okay on his own as well. Ollie is ready for his forever home..... could your home be the one? Ollie is in Gainesville, FL

<http://floridasharpei Rescue.com/ollie/>

## AKC DELEGATE'S MEETING    DECEMBER 15, 2017 - Orlando, FL

Meeting was called to order by President, Dennis Sprung at 10:30 AM.

Gina DiNardo, Executive Secretary, read the Nominating Committee report. Nominated for the Class of 2022: Robert Amen, Harold 'Red' Tatro and Christopher Sweetwood. Petitioning candidates are: Carl Ashby, James Dok, Jan Richie Gladstone and Ann Wallin. Ronald H. Menaker is running to fill a one-year vacancy.

New Delegates were introduced. Minutes from the September 12, 2017 delegate meeting were approved as submitted. A new member club was voted on and received the necessary 4/5 vote. It is the Carolina Working Association. The Chairman's Report has been forwarded to you under separate cover. A two-year contract has been signed with Royal Canin for the AKC National Dog Show. The Visionary Award winners for this year are: Susan LaCroix Hamil, Lee Arnold, Lynette J Saltzman, Stanley S Saltzman, James W Smith and Ronald H Menaker. Promotion of several employees was announced. New Executive Vice-Presidents are Keith Frazer, Business Support Services and Doug Lundgren, Sports Events; Tim Thomas is VP Judging Operations and Paula Spector is VP Corporate Services.

Joe Buffoto, CFO reported that 2017 has been a good year. Below are figures thru November 2017.

	2017	2016
Revenue	65.4	59.3
Expenses	60.5	54.1
Total	4866	5136
Registrations		
Litters	219 +7%	205
Dogs	517 +7%	483

4 years on non-declining registrations

Registered items	\$1.2m +7%
Litters	\$476,000 +7%
Pedigrees	\$136,000 +3%
CGC/Trick Dog	\$333,000 +25%
Growth Groups	\$315,300 +38%

Total Expenses    YTD - \$6.3m up 11%

Payroll - \$31.4m up 17%

Headcount - 338 up 8%

Consultant fees - \$543,000 up 63% (cost of new website)

Equipment cost - \$165,000 up 15%

Office Relocation cost \$265,000

Investments \$11m - 10.9% return (thru November)

Benchmark is 12.4% for the year

	2017	2016
Total Assets	\$164.2m	\$143.7
Liabilities	\$71.2m	\$67.2
Net Assets	\$93.0	\$76.5

21% increase in long term assets

The new Dog Museum should be completed and open in about 6 months. Next delegate's meeting will be at the Doubletree Newark, Tuesday, March 13, 2018. Meeting was adjourned.

## Notes from other Committee Reports that took place Thursday, December 14, 2017.

The Herding and Earth Dog Committee established a subcommittee to study the feasibility of physically challenged dogs competing in different events. Farm Dog Events are doing well with 150 events scheduled with over 3000 entries. A new class called Herding Ranch Dog is being developed. There are 151 clubs participating in the new Scent Work Program. Three new Field Reps have been contracted for this event. FAST CAT is up 263% for the year with Herding up 10% and Lure Coursing up 9%. Canine Health Committee reported about Veterinarian out-reach program and scholarships. The committee is updating the dog show rules regarding health at dog shows. These have not been updated in many years. There was a talk given by a researcher regarding infectious diseases at events and what clubs can do. Dr. Battaglia talked about the Low Entry breeds. The Delegate Advocacy and Advancement Committee had three long discussions. The video that explains what makes a good Delegate will be given out tomorrow at the meeting when you pick up your badge. A discussion was presented by Mary Lou and myself regarding the launch of the new website. There were two days of hour-long orientation sessions given by the IT team and attended by delegates. The new website is due to be up after the first of the year so it can include the National Show. If you have any questions or complaints, there is an email address [akcontent@akc.org](mailto:akcontent@akc.org) to use. The third discussion had to do with the revised judging policy. The By Law Committee discussed the definition of Rules vs Regulations vs Policies. What is allowed and not allowed by electronic elections and the response was that AKC is doing all it can electronically under NY laws. Also under discussion, what powers the delegate body has. The All breed committee reviewed an update on Achiever Dog, Junior Showman and Trick Dog programs. Leslie Fetzer, Director of Education updated delegates on the new program designed to target school age children and assist teachers. A plan of 45 lessons that meet National teaching standards has been designed. There is now an online program for groomers to take and receive an AKC certificate and designation. Parent Club Committee discussed the following: A large number of disaster trailers have been deployed to different areas due to floods, hurricanes and fires. Sheila Goff, Government Relations spoke about a new position statement. Also she reminded everyone that if you hear of any legislation in your community to check with her department. The Companion Events committee is studying why many all-breed clubs are dropping obedience and rally at their shows. They are also gathering information regarding those clubs that are holding these events and what is being done to keep them successful. 30 percent of Trick Dog entrants are by new dog owners. A new title is now being awarded - Trick Dog Elite Performer. Scent Dog event has had 5000 entrants in 2017! There is a new video for the beginner in Agility. New obedience exercises are being established and you will be able to view them on U-Tube. Dog Show Rules Committee stated that FSS breeds can now be shown by juniors in Junior Showmanship. The committee is also studying the possibility of approving not have show dates on ribbons. The Forum for the June meeting will be regarding the shortage of working detections dogs.

Marge B Calltharp Delegate, CSPCA Secretary DAAC & Perspectives

## Listing of New Applicants for CSPCA Membership

NAME	SPONSOR	CITY/STATE
Christopher Enzi		San Francisco, CA
Carlynd Kuhlmann		Santa Monica, CA
Pamela Marsh		Escondido, CA
Tiffeny Quast		Lisbon, ND
Lauren Pegram		Providence, RI
Alexandria Darienzo		La Center, WA

Members in good standing may oppose accepting any applicant by advising the Membership Secretary within 30 days. Letters of opposition should have supporting, verifiable documentation and must be signed. Mail to: Bob Calltharp, Membership Chairman; 44 Mt Parnassus Rd.; East Haddam, CT 06423-1446; [bob@cspca.com](mailto:bob@cspca.com)