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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi Folks,

Seminar time will be here before you know it - only 3 months away. NCSARDA members are working hard to provide a good time and training for all.

We've heard some concern from members about not being able to get into the camp until Sunday evening. It isn't something we like, but is something we have to live with. Our suggestion to you is to either leave later to get here around 7pm - or take the afternoon and early evening to enjoy the NC mountains and get supper at one of the local establishments. NCSARDA will be putting out some suggested short half day trips and places to eat.

Set your vacation and travel plans now to spend some extra time in Western North Carolina this fall.

Some of you may ask, why come to the seminar. There are more reasons than I can begin to list, but a few are good training at a price you can't beat. Our instructors don't get paid to give up their time for the week. They come to share their knowledge and love of search dog training with you for expenses, if that. We consider ourselves lucky to have the quality of instructors who are willing to do this. Just look at some of the prices of other seminars being held and you will see what a bargain CSAR's is. Heck, you couldn't eat and sleep for a week for what the price of the seminar is, let alone train dogs too.

Other reasons are the networking that can't be beat. You meet experienced folks who are more than willing to answer questions, give

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FROM YOUR EDITORS

We are fast approaching the 90 days to the 2007 CSAR seminar mark on the calendar. As the time grows closer, those involved get busier and busier with last minute details and making sure everything is in order for everyone attending.

How can other CSAR members help this last minute rush? Get your registrations in early. This not only helps in the last minute paperwork frenzy, but helps our seminar hosts to better plan and prepare for the numbers that plan to attend. If they need to add an additional instructor, it is easier to find someone of the quality CSAR insists on 60 days prior than 7 days before the seminar.

In addition to seminar time, it is also time to nominate members to run for officer and board positions. Per the newly changed ByLaws, you must have been a member of CSAR for at least 3 years and have attended at least one seminar to run for an office or board position. If you are want to run for an open position, please notify Mike Freeman, nominating chairperson.

As we all know, there are many movements afloat in the SAR world to consolidate national groups, form national standards, etc. Although we can't bring you specifics, we seriously recommend that you get involved and stay informed. These changes will eventually effect you. BE AWARE.

From talking with many of you, we know there is news out there of trainings, searches, new arrivals, etc. Let us know and we will help share your news.

Happy Trails,

Carolyn and Ginger.

2007 DUES ARE DUE!!!

Canine Search and Recovery dues become due Jan 1 of each year. This is the case regardless of when you first joined CSAR.

Don't miss out on any of the great benefits related to being a Canine Search and Recovery member. Complete and send in your membership renewal application today.

If your mailing label has a colored mark on it, your dues have not been received.

Dues not paid by June 30, 2007, will be considered lapsed and you will not receive any further correspondence from CSAR or be eligible for CSAR member discounts.

REGISTER FOR CSAR SEMINAR ON LINE

You can register for the 2007 CSAR seminar on line and pay using PayPal, directly from the CSAR web site at www.csar.org

Go to the seminar information page and follow link to on line registration.

Complete and submit the form.

You will be taken to the PayPal page to complete payment. There will be an additional amount to cover PayPal fees.

REMEMBER - seminar registration is not considered complete until both application and payment are submitted.

NEW MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

As stated in the bylaws for Canine Search and Recovery, names of applicants for membership will be published in the newsletter and all members given 30 days to respond.

Please address any comments regarding a potential applicant to any officer or board member and such comments will be brought up at the next board meeting.

Any comments concerning the following perspective applicants must be made by July 20, 2007.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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suggestions and share in your training and search successes. It is great to be able to put names to faces and feel free to contact these folks at any time.

Another reason to attend the seminar is to support CSAR as an organization. Your support by attending the seminar, participating at the auction, and donating to the auction help to support CSAR and all of our functions including the newsletter, awards and future seminars.

While I'm at it, I'd like to thank Carolyn's husband for keeping the CSAR web site up to date. He has set up an on line registration for the seminar so that you can register on line and pay with Pay Pal. We're lucky to have Larry helping us out. Thanks, Larry.

Hope to see you all soon. Pack your bags for CSAR '07. And as always - train, train and train your dawg.

Paul



HELP WANTED

Mike Freeman, Nominating Committee Chairperson for Canine Search & Recovery is looking for a few good folks who are willing to run for office or board position of CSAR.

Mike is always on the lookout for people interested in serving as an officer or board member for Canine Search & Recovery. The next elections will need candidates for President, Vice President and Secretary as well as three board positions.

If you are interested in running for any of these please contact Mike before June 30, 2007. Mike can be reached at 602-384-0490 or by email at azokiebloodhounds@hotmail.com. Please be prepared to submit a brief (half page or less) biography about yourself which will be sent with ballots in late July.

If you are nominating someone else, you must provide Mike with a written statement from the person you are nominating that they are willing to run for and hold office or board position.

If anyone needs more information about what holding any of these offices or positions involves, please contact Mike.

Mike is also looking for people to serve on the nominating committee with him. Serving on the nominating committee is a great way to get to know your fellow CSAR members. It is a very important position, yet involves minimal time and effort. Being on the nominating committee involves helping the chair person to contact members who have been suggested for an office or board position to see if they are interested in running and compiling bios sent to you by the candidates to be distributed with the annual ballots.

2007 SEMINAR NEWS

North Carolina Search and Rescue Dog Association members are working hard to make the 2007 Canine Search and Recovery Seminar one that won't be forgotten.

A seminar application can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

Instructors are as follows. We are working on getting bios on the website with more information about them.

Trailing

Beginning: Carol Lussky, Illinois
Intermediate: Steve Fox, North Carolina
Advanced Kim Burnett, Arkansas
Urban Carolyn Knapp, Missouri
Charles Blankenship, NC

Air Scent

Beginning: Darcy Harbaugh, Alabama
Intermediate/ Denver Holder, NCSARDA
Advanced Buzz McKenzie, NCSARDA

Cadaver - Land

Beginning: Orval Banks, North Carolina
Intermediate/ Francine (Frenchie) Speihler -
Advanced LA

Cadaver - Water

Beginning: Edwin Grant, NC
Intermediate/ Barbara Weakley Jones, KY
Advanced

Deposits are due by August 31, 2007.
Register now to get your first choice of venues.

Evening Programs currently planned are:

Occult Recognition by Kevin Rittenhouse with NC Highway Patrol Department.

Homeland Security.Terrorism/Bomb Recognition by Monty Foster with NCSARDA

Canine Good Citizen Testing

The repelling tower at the camp will be available during certain hours.

As always, watch the CSAR website for the most updated information as further plans are made and details are confirmed.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW FOR SEPTEMBER 24-28, 2007 CANINE SEARCH & RECOVERY SEMINAR 2007

Hosted By: North Carolina
Search and Rescue Dog
Association

and

Canine Search and Recovery, Inc

Come join the fun and fellowship
and enjoy Fall in the mountains of
Western North Carolina.

We'll do a little dog training
too!!!!

THIS AND THAT

DON'T MISS THE FUN make plans to meet us at Camp Rockmount near Black Mountain, NC for the 2007 Canine Search and Recovery seminar. Dates are Sept 24 thru 28. Enjoy the hospitality of NCSARDA and the good folks of North Carolina.

Wanted: A few good volunteers for committee positions, to run for board and office and to write for the newsletter. If you have an idea or interest, we can most likely plug your talents in somewhere in CSAR, just let us know what you'd like to do.

Wanted: Any pictures or digital pictures taken from seminars or of members and their dogs in training or on call out missions. These pictures may be used in future newsletters and other print and electronic media about Canine Search and Recovery. Regular photos are needed as well and can be scanned. Send to Carolyn Knapp. **NOTE,** Carolyn asks that these be mailed instead of emailed to her because of the size of many electronic picture files.

Upcoming Board Meeting: Your board meets at least quarterly by teleconference or in person. Send anything you wish brought to the board's attention to any of your officers or board members.

We NEED Your NEWS: Submit any news about yourself, recent searches, new arrivals, training problems or hints to your newsletter editors for use in future issues of the CSAR newsletter. Inquiring minds want to know.

The Buddy Thurston Memorial Award

An award, in memory of Buddy Thurston, will be given to any handler making their first find. Buddy, was one of the founding and much loved members of Canine Search & Recovery. We would like to recognize first finds in his memory. Send your documentation to either of the editors. This must include copies of a witnessed trailing/working record, a letter of verification from the requesting agency and any other pertinent information. These handlers will be recognized at the next CSAR seminar. If you are unable to attend your award will be mailed to you after the seminar.



SEARCH & RESCUE ZIPPER PULLS

A limited number of Search & Rescue Zipper Pulls, which we all know can be used for much more than zippers, are available for purchase. These pulls come individually bagged and have a clasp included. They are approximately 3/4 inch wide and 2 inches tall.

The zipper pulls come in red, orange, black, blue and yellow. Cost is \$5.00 each and 50 cents postage for up to 5 pulls.

Send checks made payable to CSAR to:

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Please list a first and second color choice.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

There have been several new arrivals at the homes of CSAR members. Congratulations to all on your new working partners.

Bob Naskrent has a new Rhodesian Ridgeback puppy named Reggie. We look forward to seeing both of them in North Carolina this fall. Ask Bob about his journey to get this puppy when you see him.

Not wanting Naskrent's Ridgeback to feel like the odd dog out, Geri Messina also recently got a Ridgeback named Cayce. Cayce came to Geri via rescue and is settling in to the Messina household prior to starting SAR training.

Mary Margaret Crestani has a new Curly Coated Retriever named Scout. We're waiting to see it take on it's Newfie buddy's habits and skills.

Rick Myers tells us that his Belgian Tervurens, Bonnie and Clyde have blessed him with four little bandits. He is looking for prospective SAR homes for puppies, available middle of July and a perfect age for the seminar in North Carolina.

**DON'T MISS OUT
REGISTER FOR THE
2007 CSAR SEMINAR
TODAY**

**MAIL REGISTRATION
or
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AT WWW.CSAR.ORG**

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Cross These Things To Do Off Your List

Send in 2007 Seminar Registration. Mail or on line, makes no difference. Don't miss out, register today!

Send newsletter information for upcoming newsletters to the newsletter editors. This can include training issues, personal news, upcoming seminar announcements - do not have to be CSAR sponsored, and anything else you'd like to share with your fellow members.

Send info from searches for future publication in the newsletter and or on web page. Info can be sent to Newsletter Editor, Carolyn Knapp.

Send photos, both regular and digital of past CSAR seminars and dogs in training or on call outs to Carolyn Knapp.

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MEMBERSHIP QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

We continue to get questions about when dues are due, who can sponsor a new member, how long it takes to be voted on for membership, and what to do if a prospective member doesn't have a sponsor.

Dues are due every January 1. It doesn't matter when you originally joined CSAR, after the first year - or piece of, your dues are due on Jan 1. If not paid by March, a reminder letter will be sent and if still unpaid ninety days later, you will be dropped from CSAR membership. If your membership lapses, you must reapply for membership to CSAR.

Who can sponsor a new member. A new standing rule was adopted by the CSAR membership in October 2002, stating that a sponsor must be a member in good standing for at least a year before sponsoring new members.

How long does it take to get voted into membership. This time frame can vary from a few weeks to a few months depending on when a membership application is received in regards to when the next newsletter is published. All proposed applicants are published in the CSAR newsletter for the entire membership to be aware of proposed new members.

What if I don't have a sponsor. We will try very hard to put an interested applicant in touch with a current CSAR member in their area. However, this is not always possible and a letter of recommendation from their agency on official letterhead or a resume of their SAR involvement can be substituted for a sponsor.

UPCOMING SEMINARS

Eds Note: As always, we want to give you as much information about seminars other than CSAR seminars as we can. If you know of other seminars, please pass the info on to your newsletter editors for inclusion in the next newsletter.

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WITH SYMPATHY

Please join fellow CSAR members in extending heartfelt sympathy to fellow CSAR members on the loss of loved ones and partners.

Barbara Weakley Jones on the loss of her mother and canine partner, Donna Dog.

HOW DO I GET MY SEMINAR LISTED IN THE NEWSLETTER OR ON THE WEBSITE

The Officers, Board and members of Canine Search and Recovery support the mission of education of detection dogs and their handlers as a very important task that CSAR has to undertake. We do this not only by hosting our own seminars, but by publicizing any seminars that a member or their team may be involved in or be sponsoring.

To have your seminar listed in an upcoming issue of the newsletter or on the web site, please contact Carolyn Knapp with the following

- ◆ Type of Seminar
- ◆ Date(s) of Seminar
- ◆ Location of Seminar
- ◆ Hosting Group or Individual
- ◆ Contact Information, can include street address, web site, email address and/or phone numbers.
- ◆ Additional Information about Seminar

We are sorry, but we must ask you to provide us with the entire list of information above. We honestly don't have time to search out the needed information on a web site or other location.

If we don't hear from you but are aware of a seminar you are involved in, we assume it is by invitation only to attend and will not publish information about it. Information has been made public, not by CSAR, in the past about small seminars put together for certain groups and hard feelings have sometimes resulted when people outside the group intended had to be turned away because they had heard about it from a third party.