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## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Hi Folks,

Its that time of year we all look forward to. That is seminar time. We get to see old friends and make new. As well as get some excellent training and quality time with our dogs. I hope you all are looking forward to the upcoming seminar in North Carolina.

A few things I've learned over the years at many seminars around the country may help you to get the most out of the week. Here's a few hints. Come to the seminar with an open mind because there is no one way to train a search dog. Different folks know and teach what has worked over the years for them and you may find something that works for you. After you get there, relax - the rush is over. If you don't, your canine will pick up on your tension. Don't be afraid to ask any questions, if you really want to know - someone here probably knows or knows someone who does. Here's one you need to remember, if you see a camp fire or group gathered after training is over, there is knowledge being shared that can't be learned from any book. Be a joiner and bring a chair, this could take awhile. AND, if something really is not going your way, tell someone now instead of being disappointed. Your problem may be fixable. Most important, don't forget ear plugs or cotton balls. You never know where me, Denver or Charlie will be sleeping in the next cabin over!

I hope everyone has a great time and learning experience at the 2007 CSAR Seminar.

## **FROM YOUR EDITORS**

The 2007 CSAR seminar in North Carolina is quickly approaching. By the time you are reading this, there will be just over a month until it begins. Once again, we urge you to get your registration in ASAP. You can register either by mail or on line via the CSAR web site.

If you are coming to the seminar, we look forward to seeing you very soon. If not, please consider sending a donation for the auction. The auction is what not only gives us the seed money to get started with the next year's seminar, but brings the current seminar into the black. Money raised at the auction from items you have donated helps to keep the seminar costs to participants down. Just compare the cost of the CSAR seminar with some of the others you see out there.

Remember, the CSAR seminar is not only the hosting groups fund raiser, but CSAR's as well. Profits go back into the general funds and help with the costs CSAR incurs such as the publication and mailing of this newsletter, board conference calls, publishing the roster annually, new member packets and insurance. By supporting the auction at the seminar, you are supporting CSAR.

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.

See you in North Carolina!!!!!!!

Happy Trails,

Carolyn and Ginger.

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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While you're here in my back yard, try to spend some time before or after the seminar in the beautiful mountains of North Carolina. The list of opportunities in Western North Carolina are abundant. The Appalachian Trail, the Land to Sea Trail, the Blue Ridge Parkway, the Great Smokey Mountain National Park, the Pisgah National Forrest, the Biltmore House are all dog friendly areas. A few miles away from Black Mountain is the Cherokee Nation for some great trout fishing in mountain water and a new tribal casino. So, enjoy Western NC while you're here if you have any money left after CSAR's Thursday night auction.

This brings up another important factor about the seminar. Please bring an auction item to the seminar, small or large - dog related or not, outdoor stuff is good. If you can't attend, think about sending an auction item or gift card. The auction is the life blood and the make it or break it event for this years seminar and raises the seed money for next year's events. In addition, the profit CSAR receives from the seminar is what supplements your dues in paying for printing and mailing of your newsletter, membership cards, rosters, etc. Without the seminar being a success, membership dues would be higher.

As is CSAR tradition, we'll announce Thursday night at the annual business meeting where to plan your travels to in 2008 for the next CSAR seminar.

Well enough jabber. I've got to get started packing. The Boy Scout in me tells me its better to have it and not need it than to need it and not have it.1 Thank goodness this is close to home, I may have to make two trips.

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

Paul

## 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 September 20, 2007.

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**Nadine MacRae**

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**Eric Eschman**

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## 2007 FINANCIAL REPORT Jan - June

Income		Expenses	
Dues	2975.00	Newsletter	430.91
Donations	45.00	Website	360.00
Seminar	.00.00	Postage	306.83
		Professional Fees	
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TOTAL	3020.00		1663.33

**NET PROFIT/LOSS 1356.67**

# 2008 ELECTION REPORT

Per the By Law change to the election procedures adopted by the general membership in Jan 07, the nominating committee is issuing the following report and notification to the membership.

One person was nominated for each open office and/or board position. No positions were opposed.

Therefore, the following slate of nominees will officially be declared elected at the 2007 Annual Canine Search & Recovery meeting to be held Sept 27, 2007 in Black Mountain, North Carolina

- President..... Denver Holder, NC
- Vice President..... Elane Flower - Maudlin, NM
- Secretary..... JoEtta Newman, NC
- Board of Directors.....Patti Gibson, IL  
    Geri Messina, AZ  
    Lois Rustin, AZ

This notification is in lieu of a ballot. Nothing needs to be returned to the CSAR secretary.



# OFFICER AND BOARD CANDIDATES BIOS

Below are the bios for the candidates nominated for offices and board positions.

**Denver Holder** - President Elect -Denver works training facilitator for Blue Ridge Paper Products in Canton, N.C. He is also a member of the Emergency Response Team at the mill, responding as both a firefighter and on Hazmat Incidents. Denver works part-time as a hot shot crewman with the North Carolina Forest Service. He has one son, Zachary, who is a student at the University of Montana. Denver has been a member of North Carolina Search and Rescue Dog Association since 1983 and has served as president of the organization since 1984. During his service with NCSARDA Denver has worked Mantrailing, air scent and cadaver dogs. He has participated in over 1100 SAR missions. He has been on searches in 98 of 100 counties in North Carolina as well as searches in Tennessee, South Carolina, Virginia, Missouri, Alabama, and Georgia. He has instructed at SAR seminars in N Carolina, Ohio, Alabama, Mississippi, Georgia, Virginia, and Tenn. Denver served as an officer in the following organizations: Western NC Association of Rescue Squads, NC SAR Advisory Council, North American Search Dog Network, Center Pigeon Fire Department and Daniel Boone Council of the Boy Scouts of America. In addition to dog training classes, Denver instructs: OSHA training, CPR and First Aid for the American Heart Association, Land Navigation, GPS, NISM I-100 – I-400, Visual Tracking, Managing Search Operations, Search and Rescue Fundamentals, Wilderness Survival, Facilitation Train-the-trainer, and is a presenter for both “Lost in the Woods” and “Hug-a-Tree and Survive” programs.

# 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/ Joe Mayers, LA  
Advanced

## **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.

# 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](http://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.

## 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 23 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:

Carolyn Knapp  
2120 CR 323  
Palmyra, Mo 63461

Please list a first and second color choice.

**-COMMENTS OVERHEARD ON SEARCHES -**

**We'll be glad to add your's next issue!!....**

We have all been out on searches or even in training when we have met up with John Q Public who have made comments or ask questions with first checking in with their brain.

Sometimes it goes like this:

Q. "Oh what a cute dog! What kind is he?"

A. It's a Search Dog that searches for missing people. Here is a picture of a person that we are looking for. Have you seen them?

"Why, are they missing?"

"Oh I bet he knows a lot of tricks?"

"What a fun hobby!"

"I just saw a missing dog out on the road. I bet he would love to be found."

"Oh that picture looks just like my wife's Uncle Frank. He had a shirt just like that. He died of ...whatever ...about 8 years ago. They lived in Texas on a chicken farm but they never did have no luck.....etc."

"Oh if my kid was missing I wouldn't want a ugly dog like that looking for him/her."

"Don't let your dog mess in my yard."

"If people would just stick to the roads or sidewalks they wouldn't get lost."

"Can your dog beat my PittBull?"

"Isn't that just like a man to get lost!!! Ha Ha Ha. All he needs to do is ask for directions."

"My dog ate a whole box of fish food last night. Do you think it will make him sick?"

"Oh wait a minute. I'll go home and get my dog and help you."

And we ask, Is he trained? "Trained for what?"

"How much does your dog eat?"

"How much did your dog cost?"

"How much do you get paid for this?" We are volunteers. "Yes I know that. But how much do you get paid?"

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to be continued with your additions

## 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.

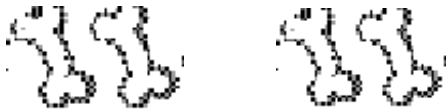
**What if I don't have a sponsor.** We will try very hard to put an interested applicant in touch with a current CSAR member in their area. However, this is not always possible and a letter of recommendation from their agency on official letterhead or a resume of their SAR involvement can be substituted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

**CCARC WATER SAFETY DAY** - August 18, 2007. Berlin State Park in Ohio. More info contact: Rick Smith 330-823-6141

**CSAR 2007 SEMINAR** - September 24-28, Camp Rockmount, Black Mountain, NC. NCSARDA - hosts. Enjoy the beauty of Fall in the mountains of western North Carolina. Training in mantrailing, air scent and cadaver. More information and application elsewhere in this newsletter.



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

**MAIL REGISTRATION  
or  
REGISTER ON LINE  
AT WWW.CSAR.ORG**

## 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.



## 8th Annual Search Dog Training Weekend held in Pope County, Arkansas

By Kim Burnett

“Please help me, my daughter and her friend has not come back from a hiking trip.” This is an example of scenarios K-9 teams attending the 8th Annual Search Dog Training Weekend encountered throughout the weekend. During the weekend of May 18-21, 2007, seventeen K-9 teams from Arkansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas, Mississippi, and Ohio were in Pope County, Arkansas for a weekend filled with field training and classes. There were teams attending the weekend from all disciplines including, trailing, tracking, area search, HRD/cadaver, and cross trained dogs.

Handlers attending the training weekend received training in scent theory, K-9 emergency first aid, scent article collection, navigation, and scene evaluation along with other topics. Along with the classroom work, handlers participated in intensive field training each day throughout the weekend.

Registration began the afternoon of Friday May 18 and the weekend officially kicked off with an advanced canine emergency first aid class presented by Dr. David Oates, DVM and staff from the Russellville Animal Clinic. Participants were divided into groups and given a canine medical emergency to work through that might commonly be encountered while in the field.

Saturday morning started out with individual and group photos following by a day of field training. Teams trained in a variety of areas including a junk yard, Ozark National Forest, private farm land, and urban areas in nearby towns. Saturday evening handlers attended a class on scent theory presented by Carolyn Knapp. Following the evening class and discussion of the days training, night training exercises were setup for any teams wishing to train.

Teams were formed and given briefing at the mock search. Ready to enter PLS to look for potential scent articles.



Sunday morning began with another day filled with field training. Teams were rotated to a new training area that was not encountered during the prior days training exercises. Sunday night was wrapped up with an auction and following by additional night training exercises.

The weekend was wrapped up Monday morning with a mock search scenario that teams had to evaluate the scene and determine deployment of teams in order to find the victim(s) quickly. Handlers for the various disciplines had to work together in order to successfully complete the scenario.

Pictures from the weekend are posted at <http://www.pineycreekkennel.com/2007Training.html>



# WHAT DO I BRING FOR THE SEMINAR??

Whether this is your first seminar or you are a veteran SAR handler, preparation for a seminar is almost as important as actually attending.

What to bring falls into three main categories and can vary from seminar to seminar depending on the classes you intend to take, the time of year the seminar is being held, the location and the canine partner you are bringing. You need supplies for yourself, your canine partner and any specialty items needed for a specific class.

**FOR YOURSELF:** Bring plenty of comfortable and sturdy clothes, whether fatigues, uniforms or just everyday clothes. They need to be comfortable, you are attending the seminar to work your dog - not set the fashion trend of the year. Be prepared for any and all climates the area where you are training may present. Rain gear is a must, after all searches go on rain or shine - so does training! Navigational items such as compasses, radios, GPS's and maps are also important.

Footwear is very important as you will spend a great deal of time on your feet during seminar week. Plenty of dry socks and at least one change of shoes/boots should be the minimum. Again, be aware of the terrain you may be working in and be prepared. We have heard from our friends from NC time and time again, just how important foot gear is to the SAR participant.

As usual, there will be the annual meeting and auction on Thursday night. If your team has a dress uniform you wish to wear, this is the time to do so with pride.

At Camp Rockmont, you will be sharing sleeping areas and rest room/shower facilities. Bring sleeping bags, pillows, personal toiletries, and other personal items you

may need. An extra blanket or heating pad can help on cool nights! Think of the week as adults going to camp, if you are a midnight snacker - bring those snacks. Another suggestion for light sleepers are a pair of ear plugs to keep out unwanted noise.

**FOR YOUR DOG:** Food, bowls, water, medication, blankets, crate and tie outs are all necessities to make your dog's stay at the seminar a success. In addition, you may want to bring a first aid kit which could be useful for both yourself and your dog. Other tried and true items are kapectate, baby enemas, and saline solution. In addition to your dog's basic provisions, bring the search gear your dog needs for the class you are planning to attend. Leads, harnesses, bells, collars, toys, treats and rewards should be part of your dog's travelling bag.

You are required to submit copies of current vaccinations with your seminar registration. In addition, as a requirement for admission to the seminar, you will have to present a health certificate signed by your veterinarian upon registration at the start of the seminar. This is actually required ANY time your dog crosses a state line anywhere in the US. A health certificate there can save you from serious problems if there is an incident with your dog while traveling out of state. If you live in North Carolina, you will only need to provide a copy of your dog's current vaccinations.

**FOR THE AUCTION:** We'd be amiss if we didn't remind you to bring items for the annual auction. Anything breed, SAR or dog related is great. Hand crafted items, state specialties - such as Wisconsin cheese are also popular auction items.

**YOURSELF:** Most importantly bring yourself and a willing and open mind. You may be given some ideas which you haven't thought about as far as training techniques or suggestions with which you aren't familiar. If you are uncomfortable, discuss this with your instructor. Be ready to hear a variety of ideas and suggestions, some of which will work for you and your current dog and some which may work for a future partner in training. Be ready to ask questions and expect answers that help you and your dog to become a better team.

# 2007 SEMINAR UPDATES

As happens every year, the best laid plans develop some kinks. However, the North Carolina Search and Rescue Dog Association has done what every good seminar host needs to do and goes to back up plan A, B, ....., and Z.

To date, we have some instructor changes, but all venues are still being offered. The disaster class which was tentative has not made and will not be held.

Frenchie Spiehler is currently off on medical leave and has been advised not to travel. Joe Mayers from LASAR, will be replacing her in advanced cadaver. Joe's first CSAR seminar was in Black Mountain.

## CHECK IN

Check in is from 6:30pm to 8:30pm at the round house at Camp Rockmontl. Look for CSAR signs and activity. Due to the size constraints, the seminar hosts request that you not bring you dog with you to check in.

Supper will not be provided on Sunday. You may either eat prior to arriving at camp or go back to Black Mountain after you get settled.

If you haven't gotten your application in, do so today so that you don't miss out on all the great fun and experiences.

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## Camp Rockmont

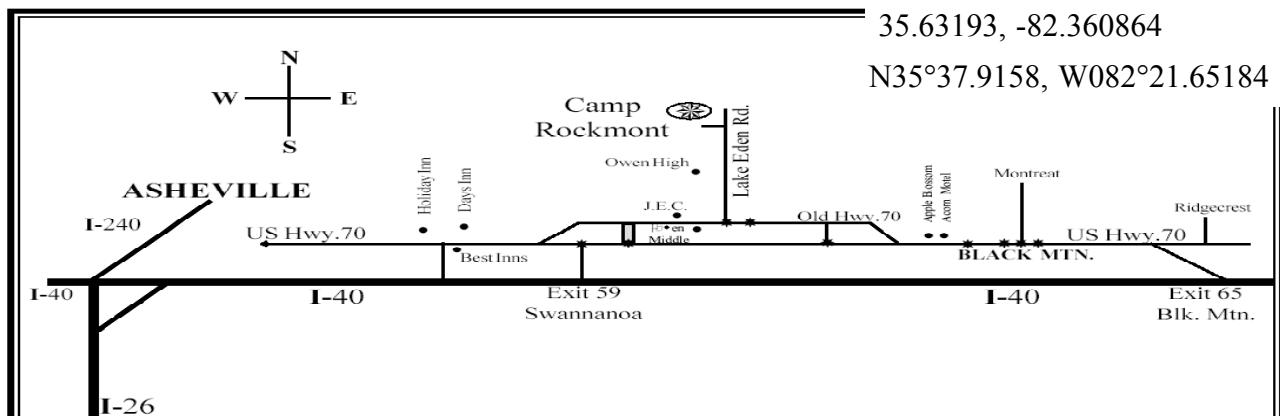
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### Directions to Find Us...

GPS Coordinates:

35.63193, -82.360864

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#### FROM THE WEST

Take I-40 and exit at Swannanoa, Exit 59. Turn right toward Swannanoa/Black Mountain. Turn left at the first traffic light in Swannanoa to cross a bridge, then right on Old US 70. Go 1.9 miles to Lake Eden Road. Turn left at the light. 1.5 miles after you turn onto Lake Eden Road you will see Rockmont's front gate on the left

#### FROM THE EAST

Take the first Black Mountain exit (#65). Go through Black Mountain and four traffic lights. You will pass two motels on the right. Go to the stop sign and turn left onto Old US 70. Go 1.3 miles to Lake Eden Road (second traffic light). Rockmont is 1.5 miles up Lake Eden Road

Directions from Camp Rockmont website.

## Candidate Bio's - continued

**Elane Flower-Maudlin** (Vice President elect) - I have been an active SAR member and dog handler since 1994. I attended my first CSAR conference in 1997 and became a member. I am currently the K-9 training coordinator for Pajarito Mountain Ski Patrol and K-9 SAR and a member of New Mexico Task Force 1. I also served 4 years on the New Mexico Emergency Service Council an organization that represents all the member SAR teams in New Mexico and surrounding states as Membership Chair and Treasurer. I was a member of Mountain Canine Corps from 1994 to 2004 and served on their Board as Training Director, Vice President and two terms as President. I have trained and certified two SAR dogs for wilderness and cadaver work and currently training a third dog for as a disaster dog with FEMA. Over this time period my K-9 partners and I have participated in numerous searches and have worked with local, state and FBI law enforcement agencies. I have taught classes on training dogs for SAR, mentored several new SAR members and assisted in training their dogs. I have taken several SAR related courses and routinely attend national K-9 SAR conferences. I am a certified Wilderness First Responder and hold an amateur radio operators license. I have enjoyed attending CSAR seminars and getting to know CSAR's members. I would be honored to again serve the CSAR board and it's members as Vice President.

**JoEtta Newman** (Secretary elect)- JoEtta is employed at Asheville Buncombe Technical Community College as an instructor in the Veterinary Medical Technology Program. She has been a registered veterinary technician for 17 years. JoEtta joined North Carolina Search and Rescue Dogs in 1995. She has served as air scent and tracking/trailing dog handler, command liaison, field support, trainer, board member and an officer with the unit. She is presently

secretary for both NCSARDA and CSAR and is on the advisory board for SARGE's. JoEtta is also a member of the Western NC Dog Fancier's Association and is the faculty advisor for the AB Tech Student Veterinary Technician Club. In addition to dog training classes, she is a CGC evaluator and instructs Pet CPR and First Aid, Canine CPR and First Aid for the Canine Handler, GPS, Computer Concepts for Searchers, Managing Search Operations, and is a presenter for both "Lost in the Woods" and "Hug-a-Tree and Survive" programs.

### BOARD MEMBER ELECTS -

**Patti Gibson** - Founding member of CSR. Member of Illinois Wisconsin Search & Rescue Dogs for 22 yrs. Personal dislikes - senior dog handlers that have no time for beginners. On the flip side of that, beginning handlers that have all the bells and whistles gear wise and refuse to listen to instruction that will make them better handlers. In 22 yrs I have never had a search or training where I have not learned something. What do I want said about me when I am dead and gone? "She ran behind a Bloodhound & loved it"

**Geri Messina** - Founding member in CSAR and since moving to AZ, ILL-WIS SAR made me an honorary lifetime member. About 9 1/2 years with ILL-WIS with my Bloodhound, Mika. Now semi retired in AZ and training my Redbone Coonhound for HRD. I've taken part in many searches and mega trainings and still learning.

**Lois Rustin** - SAR since 1989. Dogs, 40 years of trying to get it right. Best experience - teaching tracking for AZ largest all breed dog club. Work unusual breeds with different techniques. Incredibly fortunate to have had generous mentors who shared openly. Believe in CSAR's passion to pass on information and grow with other's knowledge.