

• A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT •

DEAR MEMBERS:

WITH THIS, MY LAST MESSAGE AS PRESIDENT OF THE STCA I REVIEW THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THIS ADMINISTRATION DURING THE PAST TWO YEARS.

MY FOREMOST PRIORITY BEFORE INTRODUCING ANY PROPOSAL TO THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS WAS TO ASK MYSELF "IS THIS IN THE BEST INTEREST FOR THE BREED AND THE MEMBERSHIP"? THIS ALSO, I MIGHT ADD WAS THE GOAL OF EACH AND EVERY DIRECTOR WHO SERVED WITH ME.

OUR FIRST PROPOSAL WAS TO EQUALIZE ALL STCA AWARDS OFFERED. FOR THE FIRST TIME IN MANY YEARS, CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT ARE BEING SENT TO ALL CONFIRMATION CHAMPIONSHIPS ALONG WITH OBEDIENCE TITLES AND WORKING TERRIER TITLES. I BELIEVE THIS TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF ALL MEMBERS.

OUR "REACH OUT" PROGRAM TO REGIONAL CLUBS UTILIZING THE ABILITIES OF OUR REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE, MAXINE STICKLER HAS OPENED UP COMMUNICATION TO AND FROM THE BOARD, OUR REGIONAL CLUBS AND THEIR SISTER CLUBS. NOT ONLY HAS EVERYONE RECEIVED THE MOST CURRENT NEWS DIRECTLY AFTER OUR BOARD MEETINGS, BUT A WEALTH OF HEALTH, LEGISLATIVE AND OTHER TIMELY ARTICLES HAVE BEEN SHARED. I BELIEVE THIS TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF BOTH THE BREED AND THE MEMBERSHIP.

OUR PETITION TO THE AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB TO REVIEW AND REMOVE THE RESTRICTIONS IN THE BRED BY EXHIBITOR CLASS WAS ACCEPTED BY THE AKC BOARD OF DIRECTORS. HOWEVER CONTROVERSIAL WITH SOME BREED CLUBS, WE ARE HOPING FOR A VICTORY WHEN VOTED ON THIS SEPTEMBER. I BELIEVE THIS TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF ALL BREEDS.

THE APPOINTMENT OF A STANDARD REVISION COMMITTEE. OUR ORIGINAL CONSTITUTION STATED THE OBJECTS OF THE CLUB SHALL BE *"To define precisely the true types and publish definitions as may be necessary from time to time; and to urge the adoption of such types on breeders and judges, dog show committees, etc, as the only recognized standard by which the Scottish Terriers are to be judged."* ALTHOUGH NOT AS VERBOSE, OUR CURRENT CONSTITUTION REFLECTS THE SAME.

CHAired BY JERRY ROSZMAN, THIS COMMITTEE WILL EARNESTLY REVIEW EACH PORTION OF OUR STANDARD TO DEFINE PRECISELY THE PURE-BRED SCOTTISH TERRIER. THE RESULTS OF THIS COMMITTEE SHALL BE PRESENTED TO THE MEMBERSHIP WHEN COMPLETE. I BELIEVE THIS TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE BREED.

THE ADOPTION OF A NEW MEMBERSHIP/SPONSORS PACKET. THIS PACKET IS INTENDED TO ENCOURAGE MEMBERS TO EXAMINE MORE CLOSELY THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF SPONSORSHIP. AN ARTICLE WRITTEN BY CINDY COOKE EXPRESSES OUR INTENTIONS ENTIRELY AND I QUOTE A FEW PHRASES NOT NECESSARILY IN THE ORDER AS WRITTEN.

2..."We do not want to become a narrow elitist click... on the other hand, STCA membership is meaningless if it does not require high standards of conduct" "You may even get a call from a would-be member who lives in an area where there are not STCA members nearby:..."So you write the letter sponsoring someone who is virtually a perfect stranger"...To insure that our Club continues healthy growth STCA members must take more responsibility...Do not sponsor applicants just to be polite. Get to know them. Visit their homes and kennels..." Applicants need to know from the start that the STCA has high standards and expects the members to live up to those standards".

WE APPRECIATE THE RESPONSE FROM THE MEMBERSHIP REGARDING THIS ISSUE, BOTH PRO AND CON, MANY REVISIONS ARE BEING CONSIDERED AND SHALL BE FINALIZED AT OUR MEETING IN OCTOBER. RESPONSIBILITIES OF SPONSORSHIP ARE AN ENDORSEMENT OF THE APPLICANT, THEIR CARE AND CONCERN OF OUR BREED. WHEN APPROVING MEMBERSHIP WE DO GIVE OUR BADGE (SEAL) OF APPROVAL. THIS NEW PACKAGE ADDRESSES JUST THAT. I BELIEVE IT TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE BREED.

NEW REGIONAL CLUBS. THIS PAST YEAR WE HAVE GIVEN APPROVAL TO THE SCOTTISH TERRIER CLUB OF UTAH TO COMMENCE WITH THE FORMATION OF A NEW CLUB. STC OF TAMPA BAY IS PREPARING FOR THEIR FIRST SPECIALTY JANUARY 1992 AND THE GREATER PITTSBURGH STC POSSIBLY LATER IN THAT YEAR. WE HAVE APPROVED THE STC OF GREATER DENVER AS A REGIONAL CLUB, AND WITH CONTINUING COMMUNICATION WITH THE AKC, WE HOPE TO HAVE THEIR SANCTION SOON. I BELIEVE THIS TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE BREED.

THE OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF THE STCA HAVE COMMITTED THEMSELVES TO SERVE THE BEST INTEREST OF THIS ORGANIZATION. IS IT PERFECT? CAN IT MAKE EVERYONE HAPPY ALL THE TIME? OF COURSE NOT. WE OFTEN HEAR AN ATTITUDE OF "THEM AND US", BUT WHAT WOULD THIS ORGANIZATION BE LIKE WITHOUT THE EFFORTS OF THESE FEW PEOPLE WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED THEIR SERVICES, MONIES, AND TIME. DOESN'T IT

BEHOVEE US TO TREAT THEM WITH A LITTLE MORE RESPECT? DON'T YOUR OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS DESERVE CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM RATHER THAN CASTIGATION WHEN YOU DISAGREE WITH A PROGRAM? IN ANY ORGANIZATION THERE ARE ALWAYS PROBLEMS TO SOLVE. WE HAVE WORKED TO MAKE CHANGES THAT WILL CORRECT THESE PROBLEMS AS THEY BECOME APPARENT. NO ONE CAN ANSWER THE QUESTION OF WHETHER OR NOT WE WANT TO MAKE PROGRESS. CHANGE OCCURS WITH OR WITHOUT OUR APPROVAL. WE CAN TRY TO INFLUENCE DIRECTION OR STAY BY THE WAYSIDE, BUT CHANGE OCCURS REGARDLESS. YOUR OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS OF THE SCOTTISH TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA HAVE DEDICATED THEIR TIME TO INSURE THE CONTINUED HIGH STANDARDS OF THE SCOTTISH TERRIER AND ITS MEMBERSHIP. I BELIEVE THIS TO BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE BREED AND THE MEMBERSHIP.

I THANK MY OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND COMMITTEES FOR THEIR SUPPORT IN ATTAINING THESE GOALS. I THANK YOU, THE MEMBERSHIP, FOR YOUR MANY CONTRIBUTIONS THESE PAST TWO YEARS.

I AM HONORED TO HAVE BEEN THE PRESIDENT OF THE SCOTTISH TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA.

Betty McArthur

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