TICA Mid-Pacific Region Newsletter

Regional Director's Message

Hello to all: My goal, with the help of the membership, is for the Mid-Pacific Region to continue to grow, put on quality shows and have a good time. To that end, the following is a list of persons who I have asked to fill the following positions.

Treasurer: Karen McInchak Web Master: Sean Corfield

Fund Raising: Gloria Mahan - Assistant: Janet Brown.

Show Recorder: Art Still Legislative matters: Jay Bangle

Junior Achievers: Mary Riddell - Denise Ragozzino

Ballot Judge: Pat Still

I am happy to report that our membership is on the rise. The membership report for May 1, 2006 listed the Mid-Pacific Region membership at 189. As of March 1, 2007 it has risen to 228. an increase of 39 members.

N O T E: Please remember to renew your membership before May 1, 2007. A 5 year membership is \$110. A one year regular membership is \$25. If you chose the 5 year option, you will save \$15. A good deal for those of us who forget to renew each year.

2007 Winter Board of Directors Meeting

On Feb. 16-18 the TICA Board of Directors held their Winter meeting in Harlingen, TX. All board members were present with the exception of Donna Gonyea, NE Director.

I would like to tell you about a few of the items we discussed. A copy of the Official Minutes can be found at www.tica.org

- 1. I am proud to announce that Jeff & Heather Roberts were advanced to Provisional Allbreed Judge. Congratulations!
- 2. "Value Added Registration" Effective May 1, 2007 A payment of \$15.00 (\$20.00 for non-members) at the time of registration or transfer of ownership prior to being shown as an adult, to automatically secure all titles, Champion / Champion through Supreme Grand Champion / Supreme Grand Alter / Supreme Grand Master earned by that cat. This is in addition to the regular registration fee. This is a great savings for members/exhibitors. Plus you will not have the worry and stress of remembering to claim titles.
- 3. Effective May 1, 2007, Non-members will pay \$2 more than active members for all registrations services. Hopefully this action will help increase our membership base.
- 4. The Spring 2007 BOD meeting will be help in Seattle, WA on May $18-20,\,2007$
- 5. The Toyger was accepted for Championship effective May1.

TICA Mid-Pacific Region Online

Our region has a strong online presence with an active mailing list and a website that lists our regional clubs and members, as well as our region's show schedule. Past and present Regional Awards are also listed along with many photographs from past shows.

The TICA Mid-Pacific Region web site: http://tica-mp.org

The TICA Mid-Pacific Region mailing list:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/tica-mp/

Some members have indicated that they have either been unable to join the mailing list or that they do not receive messages from the list once they have subscribed. If your email is provided by a large service provider such as AOL or Comcast, you may find that emails from Yahoo! Groups are blocked by default as spam and you will

need to whitelist <u>tica-mp@yahoogroups.com</u> in order to receive messages from the mailing list. If you have any problems with – or suggestions about - the website or the mailing list, you can contact me at <u>webmaster@tica-mp.org</u> any time and I'll try to help you! Regards, Sean A Corfied TICA MP Webmaster

2006 - 2007 Regional Awards

It is that time of the year again. Time to start thinking about the MP Regional Awards for 2006 - 2007. We are offering award plaque sponsorships again this year. Sean has uploaded the submit form on the MP website. For the price of sponsoring a cat / placement we will have your message engraved on the plaque of your choice.

The prices are as listed:

Best Cat, Kitten, Alter, HHP & HHPK - \$25.00

2nd Best - 20th Best Cat, Kitten, Alter, HHP & HHPK \$20.00 Top 20 LH / SH Cats that are not in the Top 20 Cats - \$10.00

Best of Breed Cat, Kitten, Alter not in the Top 20 - \$10.00

Lifetime Achievement Award - \$25.00

Special Awards - Member of the Year, Judge of the Year, Show of the Year, Clerk of the Year - \$20.00

(I may add more Special Awards later).

Please take advantage of this opportunity to make the Regional

Awards very special for your favorite cat.

We have PayPal available for your convenience.

The site can be found at http://ticamp.org/regawards/sponsor.cfm

Message form the Executive Office

The Executive Office is now sending email to inform clients when their work has been processed;

Currently, only the following items will be verified:

Cat Registrations (Blueslips/Individual)
Transfer/Lease
Request for Duplicates
Request for Corrections
Addition or Deletion of Suffixes
3 and 5 generation Pedigrees

PLEASE make sure the EO has YOUR CURRENT email address. Instructions for updating your email address with the Executive Office:

*Send an email to Membership@ticaeo.com Include your name, physical address (for confirmation), and your current email address. The database has fields for daytime, nighttime, and fax phone numbers if you wish to update that also.

*Please remember that the EO will not change your address or email address unless they are notified in writing.

The most recent registration forms, found at http://www.ticaeo.com/Content/Forms/Forms_Home.htm, have spaces for your email address.

Thanks, Leslie Bowers

I will be sending out Newsletters from time to time in an effort to keep you informed. If anyone has any questions or comments, please direct them to me at lashley@purfur.com or call 541-726-5259

I know many members are not use computers and some who do are not on the MP list. I will be mailing the newsletter to those members. If you are on the list but have difficulty opening the attachment, please let me know so I can mail a hard copy to you.

Thank you. Have a great week end.

Linda K, Ashley

Mid-Pacific Region Director