From the President, Robette Johns
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Phone: 704-219-8277/Email: president@colliehealth.org

The Collie Club of America 2018 National Specialty Show in Virginia Beach is almost here! What a great town and I’m sure it will be a great show. Twenty years ago, the last time the CCA show was in Virginia Beach, Steve and I were co-chairs on grooming spaces. I have never been so tired after a National. We were hit by a horrible storm that created a tornado so close you could hear it. Wind, pounding rain, and hail that was unbelievable. I was in our motorhome checking on our Corgi when it hit. I remember taking him out of his crate and lying on top of him on the floor of the motorhome. Like that would have really helped either one of us. LOL! I plan to enjoy this year to the fullest!

The Collie Health Foundation is in an amazing organization, but CHF needs your help more than ever. We have been so lucky to have had some wonderful bequests, not only to continue our work, but to fulfill a long-time goal of a permanent DNA banking project with a database. The Martha E. Hoffman CHIC DNA Banking Project allows us to help secure the future of the Collie breed. By building up a DNA bank of hundreds, and hopefully someday thousands of Collie samples, researchers will not have to wait to find samples to start new projects. It’s not only up to you to bank your Collies, but to keep that information at CHIC up to date.

At Virginia Beach, we will be holding the first ever blood DNA collection clinic. Dr. Nancy Kelso, our own Grants Committee Chair, will be running it. We will need lots of volunteers, veterinarians, vet techs, people to be on the computers, people to bag the blood with the CHIC application, CHIC & CHF health surveys and people to check in and schedule dogs. We have an opportunity to collect hundreds of samples. Your Collie will not be shaved to collect the blood. Please have your paperwork filled out before you bring your dog to be collected. The process of collecting the blood will only last about 5 minutes. How much easier could it be? You don’t have to pay anything. You don’t have to worry about shipping the samples overnight with ice packs.

Dr. David Hansen will run the MDR1 collection clinic and will need volunteers. We will need help in all fundraiser areas too. We have our silent auctions, annual dinner and live auction, and our wonderful promotional items. Vanna’s are you practicing???
Don’t, miss the highlight of the year, CHF’s annual dinner and live auction. During the cocktail hour, Dr. Leigh Ann Clark, Clemson University, and Dr. Diane Brown, CEO AKC/CHF will be speaking. I will be presenting the coveted President’s Award to the volunteer that I feel has gone above and beyond in the last year and has a deep long-term commitment to the Collie Health Foundation. This year, CHF has a wonderful surprise for two very special people. I promise, I’ll be much shorter than last year! After dinner we have the best of the best as our auctioneers, Bob Kelly and Dr. David Hansen. You cannot believe the beautiful one of a kind items we have for the night auction, some of which are pictured below. You will not want to miss this! Bring your cash, checks and credit cards because you will need them!

Dr. Clark has graciously agreed to be available at the Collie Health Foundation tables on Thursday and Friday so you can meet her and Sarah Murphy, Graduate Research Assistant. This will be Sarah’s first dog show and first time she has been able to meet breeders she is helping. They will be able to answer questions and address your concerns. I have asked Dr. Clark to not take any questions after her talk since she will be available the next day at the CHF tables. Please give them a warm welcome!

We have a couple of surveys by Cornell University and University of Pennsylvania researchers on page 10 of the newsletter. Hopefully you have received an email from our Members list with the links to participate. If you haven’t seen the email, it may be a glitch in our new email system. Please notify me so I can work with our IT firm to correct it. If you do receive it, I hope you will participate since this is the first step in a researcher’s vision of a new project.

I have a lot more to share with you and I will do that in an CHF email. Until then, remember we need you, your skills, your ideas, your time, and most of all your commitment to continue the journey to protect the Collie breed, all pure-bred dogs, and all canines. Consider that what we learn today from our research studies may not only prolong the lives of our beloved Collies but help someone you know and love live a longer and healthier life. The part you have in CHF’s future IS very important. If we haven’t met, please come by the tables and introduce yourself and don’t be shy in volunteering!

- Robette
Speaker/Cocktails/Dinner/Live Auction!

Thursday March 29, 2018

DoubleTree by Hilton (Host Hotel)
1900 Pavilion Drive
Virginia Beach, VA

Don’t miss one of the most spectacular events of the year! If you have never been to one of our dinners and live auctions, you should make this year the first. Those who have joined us before know how much fun we have and what great items you can take home from the auction. There are many wonderful things that will be available. CHF has been given donations of unique and hard to find items. Watch our Facebook page (Collie Health Foundation) for pictures of some of items that will be presented at the night auction. Watch our Facebook page (Collie Health Foundation) for pictures of some of items that will be presented at the night auction.

COCKTAIL RECEPTION (CASH BAR) & SPEAKER: Prior to the dinner, Dr. Leigh Anne Clark, Clemson University Canine Genetic Laboratory, will present information on how to interpret the DMS Risk Assessment test and speak about the lack of genetic diversity in the American Collie. A MUST ATTEND. Dr. Diane Brown, CEO AKC/CHF, will be talking about AKC/CHF.

DINNER: We are limited to a maximum of 175 dinner tickets. *Hurry, we are almost sold out!!!!* If dinner tickets are available after March 11 the price will be $48.

Menu: $45 per person
Fresh Field Greens Salad with Seasonal Toppings
Roasted Atlantic Salmon with Lemon-Dill Brown Butter Sauce
Sliced Top Round of Beef with Au Jus
Roasted Garlic Mashed Potatoes
Brown-Buttered Jumbo Asparagus
Warm Rolls and Butter
Chef’s Perfect Pairing of Desserts
Coffee and Iced Tea

RESERVE BY MARCH 11, 2018
Mail checks, payable to CHF, to:
Krista Hansen
1525 Minkel Rd.
North Java, NY 14113
camlochcollies@aol.com

OR

DINNER AND AUCTION COORDINATOR:
Laura LaBounty, PhD
603-313-9597
specialcollies@msn.com

Have an auction donation? Ship AFTER March 1st to:
Al or Liz Bianchi – 2012 Inland Cove, Virginia Beach, VA 23454 - 757-285-4868
k4ux@cox.net

We may not be able to accommodate people to hear Dr. Clark if you do not have a dinner ticket. We are very sorry, but our space is limited this year. Join us for the evening. We promise you won’t regret it!
Will YOU make a difference at the National???

Can you give us a couple of hours of your time? No experience or talent needed – just a smiling face and willingness to contribute to a great cause. Would you like to become a Corporator someday? We’d love to see new faces this year and meet new people because new faces becoming involved would make a world of difference for all! Contact a volunteer coordinator to offer help or ask questions. If you are already a Corporator, we need for each of you to commit a small amount of time to help out in one of the areas listed below. You don’t need to give us a time or day yet, but we need to get an idea of how many people will be volunteering this year. Remember, bring a friend, member or not, with you and show them a little about what CHF is about. Come and join the fun! Volunteer Coordinator, Gerrie Oliver has on good authority there may be chocolates, candy, or even Peeps available for the workers!

Please contact our volunteer coordinators, Gerrie Oliver or Pati Merrill and let them know which area you would like to volunteer for a couple of hours in Virginia Beach:

Gerrie Oliver – olivergerrie@gmail.com - (201) 768-1282  
Pati Merrill – patimer@aol.com – (904) 476-1114

Areas Where Volunteers are Needed

**MDR1 Collection Clinic:** (Wed. – Fri./maybe Sat. morning)
- Help people sign in on computers to register their Collies
- Help hold the dogs while swabs are being collected
- Keep a list of CHF members for the Treasurer for their $20 rebate

**DNA Banking Clinic:** (Wed. – Fri./maybe Sat. morning)
- Veterinarians, Vet Techs and others that are qualified to draw blood
- People experienced in holding dogs
- People to check in dogs and make appointments
- Help owners and handlers with filling in application and health surveys
- Help with registering dogs and keeping lists on computer
- Help bagging CHIC banking application and the CHIC and CHF health surveys
- Help in handling samples and paperwork to keep everything organized
Silent Auction: (Wednesday, Thursday, Friday & Saturday mornings)
- Tuesday afternoon – Set up – Sort through boxes separate night auction items
- Set Up – writing cards pulling out items etc.
- Collect cards and money at end of each auction
- Remain until items have all been picked up
- Clean up on Saturday

Promotional Item Sales: (daily starting on Wednesday)
- Set up – learn about items for sale and how to keep an inventory
- Learn how to use credit card app

Membership:
- Relieve Gail Currie and Mary Ann Campbell – learn about what they do

Dinner and Night Auction: (Thursday night)
- Set up – write numbers on place cards, items on note cards
- Vanna’s and Spotters
- Herd buyers to the right line to pay
- Clean Up

Sounds like a lot because it is a lot! But, we can only do all we do because of our volunteers.

Your Collie Health Foundation Spring 2018 destination? Virginia Beach!

Be sure to stop by the promotions table for your favorite items.

- Note pad and pen sets
- Long sleeve denim shirts
- Pin brushes
- Sun catchers
- Mail box toppers
- Mutt Mats
- Limited edition throws – Only $75!
- Garment bags
- Note cards
- Logo ornaments
- And more...
The 22nd ANNUAL GATHERING AT SUNNYBANK

GRAY DAWN
1918 - 2018
A Study in Blue
August 18-19, 2018

SUNNYBANK DAY - SATURDAY
SUNNYBANK WALKING TOURS
SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKERS
GATHERING GROUP PHOTO
CANINE GOOD CITIZEN TEST
THERAPY DOG CERTIFICATION

COLLIE DAY - SUNDAY
MEMORIAL TRIBUTE
VIRTUES MATCH
THE GATHERING JUNIOR’S MATCH
LAD MEMORIAL MATCH

Banquet Dinner @ Portobello’s
Main Floor Dining Room, 155 Ramapo Valley Road, Oakland
$38 Advance Reservations OR $48 at Door ◇ Send Check Payable to “CHF” to Gerrie by 8/10

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS
303 Union Ave, Haskell, NJ 07420
$105+ Tax, Plus Pet Fee $25 per room/night
Block ID #242204
Call 973-839-4405 or Click:

RED ROOF INN
855 US Highway 46
Parsippany, NJ 07054
17 Miles - 20 Minutes
$67.99 Double & 1 Pet Free
Code B072SUNNY1
Call 800-733-7663 Before 7/17

LA QUINTA INN & SUITES
38 Two Bridges Road
Fairfield, NJ 07004
8.9 Miles - 18 Minutes
$109+ Tax Double Room & 2 Pets Free
Call 973-575-1742 Before 7/15
Code “The Gathering at Sunnybank EPO”

FMI: Gerrie Oliver, 60 Columbus Avenue, Closter, NJ 07624 - (201) 768-1282 - olivergerrie@gmail.com

Collie Memorial Celebration at Sunnybank
Memorial Card Order Form

Name for (memorial) (celebration)____________________________________________________________________________________________
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Any additional information (title, year of birth, etc.) (8-10 words only please)______________________________________________________________________
_____________________________________________________________________________________________________________________________
Your Name:__________________________________________________________
Street Address: __________________________________________________________________________
City State Zip:___________________________________________________________________________
Email: ____________________ Phone: _________________________________
Total number of cards ordered at $4.00 each __________
Mail To: Mrs. Susan DeLorenzo
22 West Park Avenue
Park Ridge, NJ 07656

Send by August 1, 2018
If you wish to have your card(s) mailed after the Memorial, enclose a No. 10 SASE for every 2 cards ordered,
or a SAS priority mailer if you are ordering a large quantity
Welcome to the Family!

The Collie Health Foundation Welcomes the Following New Members

Laura Barnes**
Williamston, MI

Debby Bell**
Audubon, PA

Cathy & Wayne Breaux**
Raceland, LA

Patricia & John Breuer**
Greenville, DE

Diane Cauble
Montgomery, AL

Edward & Brinda Chavez**
Diamond Bar, CA

Harry Crain**
Barrington, NH

Mary Burnett Davis**
St. Joseph, MN

James Deaton
Anderson, SC

Sheri Ensor**
Battlement, MO

Joseph & Mary Forfa**
Glendale, MA

Dawn Forsythe**
Silver Spring, MD

Jacqueline Francesconi**
Union, IL

Valerie Franklin
Woodland Hills, CA

Kathleen George**
Silverton, OR

Laurie Jeff Greer**
Flagstaff, AZ

Carolin Harris**
Olympia, WA

Manfred & Angelika Hofmann
Gau-Odernheim, Germany

Linda Holloway**
Ponca City, OK

Marie & Jay Hooper**
Traverse City, MI

Terry & Michele Inman**
Spanaway, WA

Fay Jitchaku**
Waipahu, HI

Abra Karhan
Saint Stephens, WY

Marie Klimk
Kelsey, AB

Nancy Khuesner**
Huntingburg, IN

Patricia Larkin**
West Springfield, MA

Jana Lashmit**
Frederick, MD

Kathryn Leenhouts**
Indialantic, FL

Marilyn Lindauer
San Marcos, CA

Joan Manenti
Bad Axe, MI

Minna Manninen & Family
Hankasalmi, Finland

Sharon Mayes**
Spring Mills, PA

John & Norma McAndrew
Ashby, MA

Kayla McMann
Tiverton, Ontario

Kathie McNeil
Winter Garden, FL

Virginia Mehr & Robin Reed
Columbia, NJ

Suzanne, Marc & Brittany Newman
Kalispell, MT

Marjorie Norstrom**
Honolulu, HI

Deborah Rogstad**
Denton, TX

George Rohde**
Tinley Park, IL

Regina Ryan**
Allenhurst, NJ

Dr. Martin & Barbara Schwartz**
Hollis, NH

Jennifer Sinclair**
Cecilia, KY

Susan Smith**
Nicholasville, KY

Lloyd & Suzanne Steiner**
Milwaukee, WI

Hailey Stoner**
Stone Mountain, GA

Frederick Sundmaker**
Ringwood, NJ

Theresa Sutter
Grand Blanc, MI

Dawn Thomas**
Knoxville, TN

Louise Torkelson**
Appleton, WI

Arlene Towle**
Buxton, ME

Linda Vinciguerra**
Staten Island, NY

Kathy Watson
Hillsboro, OR

Mary & Paul Wells**
San Martin, CA

Heather Worden
Barnfield, BC

Ronald Worden
Duncan, BC

Alyssa & Rob Zollman**
Brandon, VT

Member Clubs

Central States Collie Club**
Elburn, IL

Collie Club of Maryland**
Abington, MD

Note: **indicates previous member…Welcome Back!
New Members – November 1, 2017 through February 15, 2018
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Request for Assistance

Mary and Robette have been asked to forward these surveys to our members. Please participate in these studies if you can. Many research projects start as surveys and then become projects where proposals for grants are requested. Our Grant Committee has not reviewed these surveys because the Universities are in the stage of collecting information.

Request from Cornell University College of Veterinary Medicine sent by Nicholas Roman, MA, DVM Candidate:

I am writing to request your assistance for a research study to investigate the incidence of orofacial clefts (cleft lip, cleft palate, or both) at birth in various breeds of dogs. This study is being performed by professor Santiago Peralta, DVM, DAVDC, and other colleagues in the Department of Clinical Sciences at Cornell University's College of Veterinary Medicine.

We would like to anonymously survey breeders to determine how many live births of dogs with cleft lip or palate occurred in their breeding programs over a 12-month period. We are asking breed clubs and associated foundations for help distributing the survey and encouraging breeders to participate.

Here is a link to the survey: https://cornell.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_ezV8Jn4crIXEuih

I would be happy to share the results with you once they are available. The incidence of orofacial clefts in Collies is likely infrequent or rare but has yet to be accurately quantified. The information breeders provide will be the basis to show whether the impressions we have formed from clinical experience are correct or not, so we truly appreciate your assistance promoting the anonymous survey among breeders.

Dr. Peralta can be contacted via email at sp888@cornell.edu.

Request from the University of Pennsylvania veterinary school:

Dear Pet Owners,

I am writing to humbly ask for your help with Drs. Hess and Cai's research study at the University of Pennsylvania veterinary school. We need many thousands of dog owners to complete a short 5 minute online survey (additional details included in the link) at:

https://www.vet.upenn.edu/veterinary-hospitals/ryan-veterinary-hospital/services/internal-medicine/diabetes-program

Any and ALL dog owners can complete the survey, regardless of health status and whether the dog has diabetes.

Posting and sharing our link on social media is strongly encouraged in order to reach the general dog owner population. We have been fortunate enough to receive support from the AKC-CHF and several other breed clubs, whom are promoting the survey to their members and on their websites.

Every dog is valuable to this study and your participation would be immensely appreciated by us (and dogs alike!). Thank you very much!

- Dr. Stephen Cai and Dr. Rebecka Hess
**CHF Election Results**

Every other year the Board of Directors appoints an Elections Committee, consisting of three Collie Health Foundations members, to conduct the process of nominations for and biannual elections of the Corporation for Corporators, Directors, and Officers. Corporators and Directors serve for a term of four years. Officers serve a term of two years. All terms start at the CCA National following the election.

The latest election process began in the fall of 2017 and has been guided by an Election Committee chaired by Ginny White. Stephen Johns and Jack White also serve on the committee. Thus far the election process has been completed for new Corporators and Directors. The following people will take office at the 2018 National in Virginia Beach:

**Corporators – Class of 2022:**
William Brokken, MD; Mary Ann Campbell; Yvonne Evans-Wynn; Dana Edwards, MD; Amy Gau; David Hansen, DVM; Krista Hansen; Helga Kane; Nancy Kelso, VMD; Gerrie Oliver

**Board of Directors:** (serving until 2022, and joining seven Board members whose term will expire in 2020)
William K. Brokken, MD; David Hansen, DVM; Krista Hansen; Patricia Jung; Helga Kane; Nancy Kelso, DVM; Nancy McDonald; and Gerrie Oliver

At this time, the election of Officers has not been completed. New Officers will be announced at the informal meeting of the Corporation, at the 2018 National in Virginia Beach. Watch our website and Facebook page for the announcement as well.

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**Collie Health Foundation - Statement of Financial Position**

**As of December 31, 2017**

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**Rebates Paid to CHF Members**
**January through December 2017**

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*****Rebate requests should now be sent to Kate Long at assistanttreas@colliehealth.org*****
COLLIE HEALTH FOUNDATION
MEMBERSHIP REMITTANCE AND CONTRIBUTION FORM

PLEASE INDICATE: ___new member OR ___renewal membership

Please check level of membership desired: I’m interested in volunteering:

__ Individual Membership - $ 25  __ Promotions  __ Sunnybank
__ Family Membership  - $ 40  __ Auctions  __ Newsletter
__ Sustaining Membership - $ 100
__ Patron  - $ 500  __ Other: __________________________
__ Benefactor  - $1,000

Send your check (US funds only), payable to Collie Health Foundation or CHF to:

Gail Currie – CHF Membership
16150 Bonzai Trail
Brooksville, FL 34613

PAYPAL: membership@colliehealth.org

Name (as you wish to be listed): ____________________________________________

Address: _______________________________________________________________________

City: ____________________________  State: _______________  Zip: __________

Phone: ____________________________  Kennel Name: ____________________________

Email: ____________________________  (we are doing more and more via Email so please ensure I have your most current email address

___ Please check if this is a new address.
___ I have included CHF in my will.
___ Please send me information about including CHF in my will.

Do you or your spouse work for a matching gift company? Some companies will match gifts of employees and/or retirees. Please contact your personnel office for details and a matching gift form.

Company Name: _____________________________________________________________

Form Enclosed:  __ Yes  __ No

ADDITIONAL CONTRIBUTION (circle one:) in Memory, Celebration, Honoring:

________________________________________________________________________

Contributions are tax deductible in accordance with IRS regulations.