**MA** **Regional Report- 15th, October 2023**

* **Treasury Report: Lisa Dickie, Treasurer**

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| Credits | Debits | Description | Balance |
|  |  | Sep 2021 | 2204.86 |
|  | 144.00 | Bank Fees Oct 21-May 22 | 2060.86 |
| 171.85 |  | Donation Robins Fund | 2232.71 |
| 134.00 |  | United Club Donation | 2366.71 |
| 87.00 |  | United Club Donation | 2453.71 |
| 125.00 |  | United Club Donation | 2578.71 |
| 108.00 |  | United Club Donation | 2686.71 |
|  | 495.00 | Bottom 10 Yearbook | 2191.71 |
|  | 50.00 | Vicki White Postage/Cards | 2141.71 |
| 4725.00 |  | Regional rebate | 5866.71 |
| 3527.29 |  | Sponsorships | 9394.00 |
|  | 5705.75 | FatPet Awards-Rosettes & plaques | 3688.25 |
|  | 107.68 | Brenda Regional Expenses | 3580.57 |
|  | 420.00 | Regional Banquet Platter | 3160.57 |
|  | 118.72 | Banquet Program | 3041.85 |
|  | 259.00 | Brenda Banquet Expenses | 2782.85 |
|  | 40.00 | Shelley Beds-JE Awards | 2742.85 |

Please note the donations of United Cat Club! Thank you so much! Because of COVID, I did not push the regional contribution from clubs. Starting in 2023, I would ask that our clubs please consider donating to the regional.

* **REGIONAL & IW AWARD DISTRIBUTION**! The 2022 Regional and International awards will be available for pickup at the United Cat Club Show, Richmond, VA. Please see me at the show to receive your awards. I will also make sure the awards are available at the Morgantown show in November and December in Lebanon.

Please let me know if you will be unable to attend any of the above shows. Please email me @ [Blrusso@comcast.net](mailto:Blrusso@comcast.net)

* **BREED DISPLAYS:** Black-Eyed Susan, Morgantown show, November 5th & 6th is encouraging breed displays!  These are meant to promote your breed and educate the public! If you want more information, please E-mail Kathy Stokey at [Sunbriar@wv.net](mailto:Sunbriar@wv.net)

**2022 MA Regional Shows**

1. Nov 05 - Nov 06, 2022, Morgantown, PA - Announcement

BLACK-EYED SUSAN CAT CLUB

1. Dec 10 - Dec 11, 2022, Lebanon, PA

Carnivorous Winos

**2024 Annual Chantilly, VA: Hosted by New Jersey Cat Fanciers**

Due to Covid, the original MA annual hosted by Capital Cats was cancelled. The board approved MA Region to be positioned in a future placement which was 2024. New Jersey Cat Fanciers picked up the annual since two of the members (Lisa Dickie & Susan Adler) held major positions in the original show. The show will in held in Chantilly, VA at the Chantilly Convention Center. Lisa and Susan will keep me apprised with updates and I will pass them on to you. As soon as they are at a strategic point, volunteer positions will be announced.

* **Regional COOKBOOK**: PLEASE we need more recipes! So many have promised to get them to Vicki, and yet here she is …still waiting! Friends, Family, even recipes for favorite dog or cat food! NOVEMBER 6th is the deadline for recipes and photos for the MA Regional Cookbook. Please send information to Vicki White at [abylover@verizon.net](mailto:abylover@verizon.net)

The committee is hoping for the cookbook debut at the Lebanon show in December! Great Christmas Gifts!!!!

Please check to make sure your Club Charter is update. Also, please make sure all your information is up to date with current members and contact information.

Currently there are 8 charter clubs that have renewed but I know that there are 3 that have indicated they want to produce shows for 2023 but have not updated their charter information. Please do this as soon as you are able! Additionally, we have 2 more clubs that are in the process of forming. This is great news for our region!

Realignment is scheduled for January 2024, not this year. The committee that was assigned for 2023 will reconvene next year.

With regards to the proposal that was publicly announced by Kurt Vlach and Jim Armel. I mention this because I had several private inquiries.

Their “personal” proposals have nothing to do with the realignment committee nor were the proposals Board initiated. The proposals may or may not even see the January agenda as they first need to be reviewed by the Rules Committee.

**Regional Membership Stats for 2021 & 2022 to date**

* April 2021 ~ 433
* April 2022 ~ 446

   + 3% increase between April 2021 and April 2022

* July 2022 ~ 332
* September 2022 ~ 367

+ 10.01% increase within last 3-month period

**Committees: Please consider joining!!!!!!**

CLUB SUPPORT & REGIONAL VISION: JANE HANDELSMAN

NEW MEMBERSHIP & YOUTH: TITO ACOSTA

JUNIOR EXHIBITORS: MEGAN GALLAHER/TITO ACOSTA /CHRISTINA BAUMER

SOCIAL MEDIA: SUSAN ADLER, JESSICA PETRAS, VICKI WHITE

NETWORK COMMUNICATION: CHERYL CHAMBERLIN /MEGAN GALLAHER

FELINE LEGISTRATION AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION: ANTHONY HUTCHINSON/ JESSICA PETRAS

ADVERSITY WELFARE & RELIEF: JAY DAVIS/ GWYNETH HAYES

PET THERAPY- GWYNWTH HAYES

FUND RAISING: ROMAIN HALUPA -REGIONAL FUND RAISING

VICKI WHITE/SANDY MCALLISTER/ MEGAN GALLAHER: COOKBOOK

**Please do not forget to vote! PROPOSALS & ELECTIONS**

As your regional director, I can continue to bring a new look and perspective to our regional representation as well as be a valuable representative for ***YOU*** serving on the TICA Board of Directors. I feel that with my education, experience on the current board of directors, administrative strengths, corporate level experience, and my broad-minded perspective, we as a region, can move forward with certainty and resourcefulness.