

Carol Krzanowski

Candidate for Director-At-Large

It has been an honor and a privilege to serve on the CFA Board for the past 12 years. Together we have faced many difficult challenges such as rising costs, anti-breeder legislation, difficult international issues and most recently the impact of COVID-19 on the cat fancy. While we have overcome a number of obstacles, we must continue working to ensure our progress now and in the future. Therefore, I am asking for your support in the upcoming election for Director-At-Large.

Many of you have come to know me through the years, not only as a dedicated breeder and exhibitor, but also in my position as Director-At-Large and former Associate Director at CFA's New Jersey office. As an active member of several show-producing clubs, I have served in all club and show committee positions and am currently Treasurer for William Penn Cat Club. My experience as a breeder, exhibitor, club member, board member and former staff member has given me a unique understanding of all areas of CFA.

My love of cats and breeding began when I registered the Cozmo cattery name in 1975 with my husband Ed. I have spent many weekends at CFA shows, where I continue to make new friends and share good times. Working primarily with Tabby Persians, we are proud that our cattery's small breeding program has produced numerous grands and regional winners, as well as several national winners and DMs. I am dedicated to the Persian breed and have been a member of the Persian Breed Council for over 40 years.

Change, Communication & The Future of CFA

Change is critical in order to grow the cat fancy and elevate the status and welfare of all cats. CFA is highly respected throughout the world for the beauty of our cats, the value of our pedigrees, the skill of our judges, and our position on animal welfare and legislation. In order to maintain our leadership role, protect our cat fancy and expand our global position, it is important that we preserve the uniqueness of our breeds and the integrity of our association. Change is important for progress, and communication is key to good business practice. We must be open to new ideas while controlling costs, improving efficiency and maintaining programs, without losing sight of our association's value and our constituents' needs.

While it is sometimes necessary to make changes in reaction to an issue, I will work to establish a more proactive approach to managing the interests of our clubs and exhibitors. It is important to maintain an open line of communication with our member clubs and all of our CFA family. By enlisting your support and ideas, we can implement programs and initiatives to provide successful and innovative services. I will continue to ask the opinions of others on issues coming before the Board, as your input is essential to a fair decision-making process. While I may not always agree with other points of view, I will always listen with an open mind and consider that input when determining what I feel is best for CFA as a whole. Every decision I have made has been done with careful consideration and in the essence of fairness.

Honesty, Integrity & Respect

In life and wherever I participate in CFA, I have always stood for honesty, integrity and professionalism. One of the greatest challenges we continue to face is attracting and keeping new breeders and exhibitors. I accept the challenge and am always willing to provide advice and guidance to others. Every one of us is the face of CFA, each and every day. Our words and actions can make the difference between a newcomer staying in the cat fancy or not. We must set the example and lead the way by encouraging newcomers, showing good sportsmanship and maintaining impeccable ethics. We must lead by example and share our love of the cat fancy with new breeders and exhibitors, as they are the future of CFA.

CFA Board, Committee & Professional Experience

- Director-At-Large, 2009-present
- Chair, Club Membership Committee, 2015-present; Co-Chair, 2013-2015
- Board Liaison, Show Rules Committee, 2014-present
- Board Liaison, Clerking Program, 2014-2020; Chair, 2015-2017
- Board Liaison, Mentor Committee, 2018-present; Co-Chair, Mentor/NewBee Committee, 2012-2015; Chair, Mentor Program, 2011-2012
- Licensed Master Clerk with over 35 years clerking experience
- Served on many other CFA committees including National Marketing, National Awards, Publications, IT, CFA International Show Sub-Committee, Domestic Felines
- CFA Foundation Board of Directors, 2009-present; Vice President, 2018-present
- B.A. in Art, Stockton University
- 14 Years as CFA Associate Director in New Jersey
- Employed at Stockton University for 17 years, first as a Graphic Designer & later as Manager of the Graphics Production Department
- Employed in the pharmaceutical industry for 7 years
- CFA Star Award recipient



**I would appreciate your club's support of my candidacy for Director-At-Large.
Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or wish to discuss any issues.
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