Jan Rogers

Candidate for Director at Large

This past year has been unprecedented because of the Covid-19 pandemic that has plagued the entire world. People have been devastated, businesses have closed, friends have died, and the emotions of the world population have been put to the test. In our small portion of the world, the cat fancy, and our own CFA, has had to endure all of this plus face the additional challenges of no cat shows, less registrations, inability to connect with our friends and yet endeavor to still find ways to protect the association that has giving us so much.

We will only succeed if we stand up to the challenge and work together with support and co-operation. To this end, I respectfully ask you to vote for me as one of your five director at large candidates. Although I have never served on the CFA board, that does not negate experience, commitment, and knowledge of the workings of CFA. I am currently on the board of the CFA Breeder Assistance Program and instrumental in folding the Disaster Relief entity into the BAP program. I am currently the treasurer of the Judges Association and current breed council secretary for the American Wirehair as well as being a member of 2 other breed councils.

Behind the scenes, I have worked on several BAP cases, help local animal welfare groups, coordinate relief efforts during disasters and breeder needs. I have and continue to lecture at schools, visit nursing homes, and have held seminars on breeds and CFA in Australia, China, and Europe. I am committed to CFA, but I am also committed to our clubs and to the breeders and exhibitors that call CFA home.

I have been breeding and showing CFA since 1987. I have been, and still am, an officer of several clubs. I have put on successful shows since 1990 in regions 1, 3 and 7. I have served in every position in show production for decades. In 2014 I led the team for the Gulf Shore Region to put on the incredibly successful New Orleans annual, and for the first time ever had every single region, and the international division, along with a wealth of vendors, clubs and individuals, be part of the whole team effort to put forth an incredible annual. This was the last annual that the region was totally responsible to produce, and we were able to return to the region 3 treasury a significant profit.
I have been a CFA judge since 1999 and have been afforded the opportunity to judge in every region, and the international divisions during this time. This gives me an important perspective on the world of cats, and the impact CFA can and does have throughout the world.

My credentials include a BS in Agricultural Economics from Purdue University, an MBA in Finance from Indiana University, and post graduate work in Finance at UC Irvine, and Kent State University. I have been an executive with multi million dollar companies including Fortune 500 since 1969 and have held a variety of roles in several. In 1990 I formed my own marketing and sales promotion company and continue that to this day, although I am semi-retired. I have worked for several CFA regions in producing awards, and promotional products at significant cost savings and have produced products for the Winn Foundation and CFA corporate endeavors.

My goal as your DAL is to encourage focus on the things we agree upon and respectfully listen to things upon which we have opposing points of view. It is important that you are heard and no one feels disenfranchised. Transparency and informed discussion is key power of our united voices with the continuing help of our corporate mantel. I want to see Your CFA grow and prosper. Develop new programs, refine existing programs, and to think outside the normal way things are done.

You have many choices for director at large, and all are qualified and are surely committed to CFA. I would ask that you consider me as one of your choices. I bring leadership, honesty, experience and will bring your voice to the board table.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my statement. I am also open for your questions, comments or suggestions, please don’t hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

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