



JOHN COLILLA

Great Lakes Regional Director

Standing by my:
Regional record
Honesty
Transparency

GLR ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Elected** GLR RD in 2014
- **Started** Hall of Fame award
- **Recognize** more than one person a year for Spirit award, except for last year
- **Appoint** new committee chairs to get more people involved, especially our younger exhibitors, and utilize new talents
- **Currently, more money in treasury** since 2014
- Awards Booklet Chair **raised more than \$7K** by selling ads for the Regional Award booklet and extra copies to offset print cost
- **Donated** BOD workshop fund of \$1K back to GLR treasury
- **Promoted** HHP regional competition to become one of the more competitive areas
- **Scheduled** several GLR fund-raiser shows to support regional banquets
- **Strive** to make our banquets a highlight for all the exhibitor's achievements and accomplishments, to be classic, memorable, and fun
- **Proud** of GLR when guest judges from other regions compliment our banquet
- **First region** to have ZOOM regional banquet during COVID
- **Supported** clubs, new and established, to find available show dates (i.e. Paws and Claws CF, Buffalo CC, Cat Nation, Triple Crown CF, Great Lakes Great Maines, etc.)
- **Defended** regional clubs when the miles rule infringed on their dates (i.e. Cleveland Persian Society)
- **PROUD** to consider the GLR exhibitors as part of my extended family
- **PROUD** that exhibitors from other regions say we are a welcoming region

FUTURE GOALS

- **Reduce regional expenses without reducing quality, make sure region stays in sound financial condition**
- **Keep preparing for 2029 Annual in GLR**

CFA EXPERIENCE

- **Co-Chair** for International Division-China
- **Clerking Chair** replacement for half a term
- **Clerking chair liaison** for BOD
- **Former member** of: Diversity and Inclusion committee, IT committee
- **Dreamers Cattery** registered in 1982
- **Seven Premiership** NWs with seven different breeds
- **Licensed Master Clerk**
- **CFA licensed Allbeed judge** since 1993
- **Mentoring** for three future CFA judges
- **Presented Top 25 2022-2023 China Division Awards** in Shanghai, China
- **First CFA judge with Chinese heritage**
- **Breeding and exhibiting** Maine Coon Cats

RESUME

- **Southern Illinois University 1967-1972**
Major: Accounting, Minor: Economics
- **45 years IT experience** with financial and manufacturing systems as Program Manager, Systems Analyst, Database Admin, Project Leader of Financial Systems

PERSONAL

- **Married** 45 years to Ronna
- **Father** (Bethany and Phillip)
- **Granfather** (Nolan)
- **Languages:** English and Cantonese
- **Retired**