

CMF Newsletter

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A Message from CMF President

This year's Haute Dog Picnic was a great success. Thank you to all who joined us and those who supported us from afar with silent auction donations or bids. Special thanks to Mike and Candy Culton, Dick and Evelyn Cortes, Michele Huntoon and Zafar Mehdi for all their hard work.

Our Board member, Qamar Zaidi, recently withdrew from the Board to devote more time to his family. We thank him for his service to the Carrie Mehdi Foundation over last 3-1/2 years. At our recent Board meeting, the Board unanimously approved our new Board Member, Michele Huntoon. Michele has been an active volunteer and supporter of CMF since our founding and we are thankful to have her join our Board of Directors.

We've recently received some Dachshund collectables from CMF supporters Ed and Wendy Hirschman Jr. Ed and Wendy have two black and tan standard Dachshunds bred by Carrie Mehdi. Ed's parents, Edward and Grace Hirschman Sr., bred Dachshunds under the Kennel Name Bergmanor and were founding members of the Dachshund Club of California, contributors to the DCC Magazine *The American Dachshund* and AKC Judges. We are thankful to Ed and Wendy for donating these special items to us, which we will incorporate into our Fall online fundraiser. The fundraiser will be a special opportunity for you to add to your Dachshund collection with items from Bergmanor. Follow our Carrie Mehdi Foundation Facebook page so you will be one of the first to know when these items are listed. All funds raised will go to Dachshund-related causes.

As I start to plan my annual September trip to Monterey, to visit the Carrie Mehdi Foundation Picnic Table at Point Lobos State Reserve, I've been thinking a lot about Carrie. I know she would appreciate that Zafar has joined me on the journey in Dachshunds with George, now CH Hildisvin Wurdig Lightnin' Boogie Blues. Some of my favorite conversations with the Mehdi Family were with Carrie, Zafar and Greg about the antics of the occasional Dachshund litters Carrie had under her kennel name Doxtopia. Our Board of Directors have been able to attend some of the Southern California Dachshund Specialties we support and we've created great new memories together.

Please follow us on Facebook: Carrie Mehdi Foundation
Thank you for your support. Please email me with any inquiries: dejones@CarrieMehdiFoundation.org.

Diane E. Jones
President, Carrie Mehdi Foundation



From L to R: Zafar Mehdi, Mike Culton holding Zu Zu, Candy Culton, and Diane Jones holding George.



Marcie Sartor's dog Kellie, posing in front of CMF signs.

Our 6th Annual CMF Haute Dog Picnic, held on May 5, was a huge success. We have raised over \$8,000 so far in 2018. Organizations and causes we are supporting are:

- Dachshund Club of California
- Knickerbocker Dachshund Club
- East Bay Dachshund Club
- DCA National Specialty Show
- Dachshund Club of America Health & Welfare Trust Fund
- Point Lobos Foundation
- California State Parks Foundation
- The Salvation Army
- Los Angeles Mission
- National Kidney Foundation
- Union Station Homeless Services
- Vietnam Veterans of America
- HB Care Packages for Military Dogs
- Homeless Health Care Los Angeles
- The Midnight Mission
- AKC Canine Health Fund
- Canine Hope for Diabetics
- Flintridge Preparatory School
- Morris Animal Foundation
- Sierra Dachshund Breeders Club
- Dachshund Club of Santa Ana Valley
- Channel City Kennel Club
- Santa Barbara Equine Assistance & Evac Team
- Justice for Doug –Doug David Medical Fund
- Stand Up & Play Foundation
- Kevlar for K9s
- Companion Animal Alliance for Baton Rouge
- The Beauty Bus Foundation
- Desert Valley Dachshund Club
- Red Cross – Hurricane Disaster Relief Fund
- Books for Houston Kids
- Downtown Dog Rescue
- Sanctuary Centers of Santa Barbara
- Hemopath (Santa Ana Valley Canine Blood Bank)
- Parkinson Association of San Diego- Walk
- Medical Mission Adventures

A huge Thank You to all our contributors. Your generous support enables us to donate to so many non-profit organizations and philanthropic causes.

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Photos taken at CMF Haute Dog Picnic, May 5, 2018.



Zafar with Harry Tufts and Diane Jones.



Diane Jones holding George and Marcie Sartor with her dog Kellie looking up.



Michele Huntoon, Nora Imfeld, Bernie and Azra Zaidi.



Janet Georgeanne with her mom.



Azra Zaidi and Michele Huntoon.



Zafar with Dick Cortes grilling hot dogs for lunch.

Enjoying at the picnic:



Bernie and Nasir Zaidi and Fouzia Niamat.



Mike and Candy Culton.



Nora and Mark Imfeld with son Garrett and dog Ellie.



Gary and Gloria Walker.



Marcie Sartor, Janet's mom and Janet Georgeanne.



Craig Larsen with dogs Gilly & Simba.



Evelyn Cortes with her friend Rose Larsen.



Bernie and Nasir Zaidi and Michele Huntoon.



Ashmead Niamat, Que Zaidi, Zak, Fouzia Niamat and Azra Zaidi.



Zafar and Candy Culton.



Harry Tufts and Mike Culton.



Zafar, Diane Jones and Azra Zaidi.



Michele Huntoon, Evelyn and Dick Cortes.



Diane Jones, Anita and Sarah Winfrey.

Zafar's family enjoying the picnic.



Nasir Zaidi, Fouzia Niamat, Zafar, Zak, Bernie Zaidi, Azra Zaidi, Asad Zaidi, Que Zaidi, and Ashmead Niamat.



Henna Zaidi, Thomas Tran, and Bernie Zaidi.



Silent Auction tables set before auction begins.



Harry Tufts and Marcie Sartor with her dog Kellie.



Gary and Gloria Walker with Zafar.



Zafar, Harry Tufts and Marcie Sartor.



Linda Castaneda with her dog Jordan.



Sarah, Anita and Tom Winfrey.



Sue Rucker with her dogs Liesl and Elke.



Zafar with Linda's dog Jordan.



Tom Winfrey, Sue Rucker, and Dick Cortes with their dogs getting ready for the Crazy Hat contest.



Linda Castaneda with Jordan and Evelyn Cortes and Harry Tufts looking on.



Dogs getting ready for the Crazy hat contest. Sue Rucker with Liesl and Elke and Dick Cortes with Sam and Megan.



Marcie Sartor's dog Kellie ready for the Crazy Hat Contest.

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