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NCTA Newsletter

Winter 2023

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Letter from the President

Hello NCTA!

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday season and successful hunting season. I would like to thank the NCTA for giving me the opportunity to serve as President and give back to our great association where I have learned so much. Our board members are working very hard and diligently on having another great show for you this year. We have a great lineup of world class judges and lots of great seminars lined up for everyone. It's that time to start reserving your rooms for our 2023 summer show which will be held at Village Inn in Clemmons NC again this year.

If you would like to step up and serve on the board, we would love for you to help us lead the NCTA. If anyone has a nomination for a board member, nominations are due by May 31st.

Don't forget the President's challenge this year is the Raccoon.

It's time to get started on our competition mounts if you haven't done so already! I can't wait to see all the beautiful craftsmanship in our competition room again this year.

Please remember to pre-register for our show which helps our board prepare our show for you and makes everything run smoother.

It was voted on last year at our membership meeting to have refreshments Instead of a banquet. I apologize to everyone, but **We will be having a banquet dinner again this year** because we are **under contract** for banquet tickets not refreshments. Banquet tickets will be \$40. Please **pre-register** our board can't stress this enough!

Also, our membership

voted to have the awards ceremony first then viewing and critiques last. Again I apologize to everyone, but due to the fact the hotel needs enough time to reset the supply room for our awards ceremony, **We will be having our viewing and judges critiques first and our Banquet and awards ceremony last as we always have had it !**

On a good note, I have adjusted our schedule so our show will end at **6:00 pm** on Saturday evening.

Sincerely Your
President,

Paul Willis

Upcoming Events:

The NCTA would like to say Thank-you to our outgoing Officers & Board Members and express our deepest appreciation for their service. . . .

Outgoing President:
Sabra Cahoon

Outgoing Secretary:
Jess Meeks

Outgoing Board Members:

Jody Revis
Jessica Bailey

NCTA would like to Welcome our new Officers & Board Members . . .

Incoming President:
Paul Willis

Incoming Secretary:
Doug Shores

Mountain

Brandon Brown
496 HS Dalton Rd
Hendersonville NC
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brandonatwildlifecreation@gmail.com

Ed Launer
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Maggie Valley NC
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Incoming Board Members:

Manuel Reiner
Ryan Garrison
Ed Launer

2023 NCTA Officers

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***Nominations are needed for 2024
Vice President & Board Members!!!***

Nominations are due by May 31!

Please email nominations to dougshores@crescentford.com

March 24-25,2023

Virginia Taxidermy State Show
Waynesboro ,Va

June 9-11,2023

West Virginia Taxidermist's Association
Flatwoods, WV

June 15-17, 2023

South Carolina Taxidermist's Association
Columbia, SC
<http://www.southcarolinataxidermy.com/>

July 20-22, 2023

National Taxidermists Association
Champion, Pennsylvania
<http://nationaltaxidermists.com/>

Are you a NC Certified Taxidermist?

Did you know there is a North Carolina Taxidermist Association (N.C.T.A) Certification Program? Here's how to become a NC Certified Taxidermist....

Only NCTA members

who have met All

qualifications can

display the NCTA

Certified Taxidermist

Logo on their website!

- Must be a NCTA Member in good standing & meet one of the three following qualifications in Professional Division
 - One 1st Place Blue Ribbon & Best of Category
 - One 1st Place Blue Ribbon Plus 5 other points
 - Two 2nd Place Red Ribbons Plus 5 other points

Points System:

1st Place = 4 points
2nd Place = 3 points
3rd Place= 2 points

If you have Questions about the NCTA Certification Program, Please Contact D Price

NC Certified Taxidermist Dues are due for 2023

Dues are \$25

Please make checks payable to:

NC Certified Taxidermist

Mail to:

***D. Price 5228 New Oaks St. Youngsville, NC
27596***

Award of Excellence...

Have you earned your Award of Excellence? If so, make sure you let Paul Willis know by June 30th in order to receive your award at the show!



Don't Forget....

2023 Memberships are Due NOW
PLEASE get those in ASAP!

Please fill out membership form (page 7 of this newsletter) & mail it and your payment to....

HP Giger- 107 Amrita Court Charlotte, NC 28211

**You can also pay your
memberships ONLINE!!**

Go To...

www.northcarolinataxidermistassoc.com

Click Join NCTA Online

We need items for our annual auction. if you know anyone (person or business) willing to make a donation for our auction, please contact Ryan Garrison at (910)-723-9029 or ryangarrison1@yahoo.com.

...Thanks!!

Does not have to be taxidermy related

2023 NCTA Competition Judges

- **White Tail Deer- Hilton Epply, Jr. (World Champion)**
- **Life Size & Game Head- Daniel Meng (World Champion)**
- **Fish & Reptiles- Kenneth Bauman (World Champion)**
- **Birds- Kent Reedy (World Champion)**
- **Habitat & Original Arts- Bob Hutchinson (World Champion)**

Amateur & Youth Judges

- **White Tail Deer- Dean Matthews**
- **Life Size & Game Head- Brandon Brown**
- **Fish & Reptiles- John Cranford**
- **Birds- Nicholas Shelton**
- **Habitat & Original Arts- Bob Hutchinson**

NCTA OFFICIAL BUSINESS

We as the NCTA Board have been working diligently since the end of the last show to prepare the best opportunity to all of the members of the NCTA, to learn and grow to be better taxidermist and to propel NC back to the top of the list on the best of the best. There are many decisions that have to be made that are tough decisions and are not made lightly. Our President has picked an award winning pack of Judges to give us the best critiques and information ever. Now our jobs as taxidermist is to take that information and make ourselves better. Next during all of the board meetings we have had tough conversations. We were not going to have a banquet this year and have heavy hors d'oeuvres. After much discussion and going over the contract that we were in with Village Inn, if we did not have the banquet we would be in breach of contract and on doing so we would not be able to ever come back to the Village Inn or any Wyndam hotel without paying inflated prices for the breach of contract. With that being said there is going to be a banquet at Village Inn in 2023. We as a board are working on a lot of good things for the NCTA and I will continue to update through the Newsletter. I will also be sending out mini news letters with different things going on as we continue to prepare for the upcoming show. If you have any questions or concerns or comments please contact Doug Shores @ dougshores@crecentford.com or Paul Willis President of NCTA

Distinguished Service Award Nomination!

Every year we award the McKenzie Distinguished Service Award to an individual who goes above & beyond and puts time and effort into making the NCTA the best association they can. If you have someone you would like to nominate, please Email dougshores@crecentford.com or contact Paul



North Carolina Taxidermists Association

Application For 2023 Membership

The NCTA is a non-profit educational organization in the State of North Carolina to further contacts and better understanding among taxidermists and related industries, unite into one organization all interested taxidermists and taxidermy suppliers, disseminates information, aid the profession as a whole by lobbying for fair legislation on the State and Federal levels.

To join the NCTA please fill out the following membership application and return the form along with your check made payable to the North Carolina Taxidermists Association and mail to: Hanspeter Giger, 107 Amrita Ct., Charlotte, NC 28211

North Carolina Taxidermists Association Membership

NEW
RENEWAL

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: (____) _____

EMAIL

\$55 Single Membership

\$75 Family Membership

Please Check Appropriate Line that applies to your section of the state.

COASTAL (area East of interstate 95)

PIEDMONT (Area East of Hwy 52 to Interstate 95)

Mountain (Area West of Hwy 52/Mt. Airy to Winston-Salem to Lexington to Salisbury to Albemarle to Wadesboro)

***Pre-Registration* for the
North Carolina Taxidermist's Association
41st Annual Summer Show Convention & Competition**

July 27, 28, and 29th in Clemmons, NC at the Village Inn & Event Center

To Pre-Register for the **NCTA 41st Annual Summer Show Convention & Competition** please fill out the following pre-registration form along with your check made payable to the **North Carolina Taxidermist's Association** and mail to :
Hanspeter Giger, 107 Amrita Ct., Charlotte, NC 28211

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: (_____) _____ EMAIL: _____

Pre-Register (Before Show) \$40

Friday Kids Movie & Pizza Night (Sponsored by the NCTA) _____ # Children

Friday Children's Seminar July 28th _____ # Children

Saturday Night Banquet Tickets July 29th _____ # Adults/Children \$40 per ticket

We're on the Web!

See us at:

www.nctaxidermist.net

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