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Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers Elects 2 New Officers

CCPDT Board of Directors elects Secretary and Treasurer.

New York, NY (February 13, 2010) - The Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers (CCPDT) Board of Directors has elected a new Secretary and Treasurer on January 21, 2010.

Secretary, Audrey A. Tucker, CPDT-KA, owns and operates Pet Education and Therapy, LLC, in Newington, CT. She and her staff provide canine behavior modification, training and pet sitting services throughout Connecticut. Audrey is the recommended behavior counselor for all three Connecticut Humane Societies, guest author on therapy dogs in "Belgians: Start to Finished" 2nd edition, and the recipient of the 2003 Ian Dunbar/APDT Member of the Year Award.

Audrey is also the Webmaster and has been instrumental in the design and creation of the new website, www.ccpdt.org. Audrey will continue to upgrade the information available to certificants, veterinarians, pet owners, and other interested individuals as it becomes available.

Treasurer, Marilyn Wolf, CPDT-KA, is the Managing Member of Korrekct Kritters®, LLC providing group and private classes for manners, problem resolution, and the conformation ring. Marilyn is a behavior consultant for and on the Board of Directors of Labrador Retriever Rescue of Florida and a volunteer instructor for the veterinary technician program at Marchman Technical Education Center. She is recommended by several local veterinarians.

Marilyn is also the Marketing Committee Chair. Through Marketing Committee efforts the CCPDT has a new tradeshow display. The CCPDT is proud of this visually attractive display with interchangeable panels tailored to target audiences. The Committee has made great strides in marketing not only the Council itself but the advantages of working with individual certificants by developing cohesive branding in print and electronic media.

The CCPDT's certification program is the first national certification for dog trainers. Until the creation of the Certification Council for Professional Dog Trainers in 2001,

there was no nationally available certification process for dog trainers, though many schools teach dog trainers and offer certificates for their specific programs. All test sites are professionally secured and moderated by Professional Testing Corporation. Candidates who pass the exam earn the title Certified Professional Dog Trainer-Knowledge Assessed and may use the designation, "CPDT-KA" after their names.

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If you want more information or to schedule and interview with a Board member, please contact the CCPDT Administrative Office by email at administrator@ccpdt.org or by phone at 212-356-0682.

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