



MSCA 2022 Nominating Committee Members

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Christine Fahrnbauer, MSCA Director at Large B

Please share a brief biography. *Please share information about yourself, your family, lifestyle, farm, ranch, livestock, training, education, profession, honors, and awards.*

Hi! I'm married 30 years to a landscaper, and together we run a 15-acre tree and hobby farm. I have 30 plus goats, angoras, Nigerians, Nubians and a LaMancha. We get fresh eggs from 40-plus chickens and have 3 ducks and a Tom turkey. I am a beekeeper with an average of 15 hives, and we have a couple of cats as well. But most importantly, we have 3 beautiful Maremmas that protect our furry and feathered children and chase unwanted predators off our property, including wild heron that love to fish in our pond, hahaha. I love my life but especially love my big polar bear protectors that allow me to sleep well at night:) In addition, I was a COE breeder for Maremmas from 2017-2020.

Why do you want to serve on the Maremma Sheepdog Club of America Board of Directors?

It is imperative that we protect this unique breed in education and proper placement for the well-being of their guardian traits and success in remaining a working livestock protector.

Maremma Sheepdog Experience and Statement of Commitment to the Breed.

Please highlight your aspirations for the breed and your experience with the Maremma Sheepdog. How many years have you been involved with the breed?

I got my first Maremma in 2015. I am thoroughly committed to educating future owners because with the investment of people in the MSCA, I was able to learn and prepare and have great success with my guardians and breeding program. I want to continue to pour that experience and knowledge into others, as I would hate for Maremmas to become pets (as we know a very close breed has had happen to them).

What business/administrative experience do you have that will be helpful for the board position you are applying for?

I manage all the tasks of operating a small hobby farm, including bookkeeping and events. I have raised 4 very productive and successful children into adulthood and play well on teams:) I am level-headed, and my degree from Georgia Tech proves I can figure things out :)

Statement of Purpose.

What will you contribute to the organization, members, and Maremma Sheepdogs?

A fair outlook

Honesty

Problem solver

Mentorship for new owners

Whatever is needed, within reason :)

What is your vision for the future of the MSCA?

To help keep Maremmas in the hands of only those that understand them and not allow over breeding or exploitation of the breed

Please list your top 3 priorities/achievements for the MSCA for your term in office.

- Educate public.
- Help the club get organized and grow.
- Protect and prevent unnecessary breeding.