

What is NAIA?

NAIA is an educational organization of business, agricultural, scientific and recreational interests dedicated to promoting responsible animal ownership and use, animal welfare and strengthening the bond between people and animals. NAIA includes thousands of pet owners, dog and cat clubs, obedience clubs and rescue groups as well as breeders, trainers, veterinarians, research scientists, farmers, fishermen, hunters and wildlife biologists.

NAIA works to provide the public with factual information about animal issues, especially those issues that are complex, misunderstood or controversial.

NAIA

- ⊙ publishes a quarterly newspaper and an award-winning website,
- ⊙ hosts national conferences,
- ⊙ has a speakers bureau,
- ⊙ provides animal experts to public policy makers, media and classrooms.

NAIA members serve on local, state and national task force bodies and committees.

NAIA supports ordinary people and professionals as they strive to learn more about animal care and husbandry, or to become better pet owners. NAIA believes that education and tolerance are the keys to progress in a free society and works with all legal animal interest groups that strive for improvements.

To join NAIA or to learn more about the organization, visit our website at www.naiaonline.org or e-mail naia@involved.com

National Animal Interest Alliance
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The National Animal
Interest Alliance
presents

Helping communities solve dangerous dog problems

A conference dedicated
to finding answers

May 15-16
Northern Kentucky
University METS Center
Near Greater Cincinnati Airport

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Are you ...

- a public official charged with drafting or enforcing animal control laws?
- a shelter official trying to make good decisions about placing dogs in appropriate new homes?
- a member of a purebred rescue organization?
- the victim of a vicious dog attack?
- a dog trainer or behaviorist?
- a responsible dog owner frustrated with public policies that fail to deal effectively with dangerous dogs and their careless or negligent owners?
- ready to work with local officials to establish reasonable, enforceable laws and policies?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, the National Animal Interest Alliance has the conference for you.

On **May 15-16**, NAIA will gather top experts in dog behavior, shelter assessment and placement, responsible dog ownership, and rescue to discuss community animal control problems and policies and work on reasonable alternatives to laws and regulations that do not work. We invite all policy-makers, shelters, rescue groups, dog owners and trainers, dog behaviorists, and other canine experts to join us in working on solutions that protect communities without harming the rights of people to responsibly own the dog of their choice.

Why is this conference important? Because it will ...

- focus on community responses to dog bites and attacks;
- help shelters draw distinctions between dogs that are responsibly-owned, dogs that have uninformed or inconsiderate owners, and dogs with owners who scoff at the law;
- propose guidelines that help shelters and rescue groups work together;
- offer help to public health agencies dealing with dog bites and other issues;
- bring responsible dog owners, trainers and breeders into the process as experts; and
- recommend laws that hold owners accountable for the actions of their dogs.

Speakers include ...

Harold Dates, SPCA Cincinnati executive director: "Breed bans pose difficult dilemmas for shelter directors";

Amy Marder, DVM: "Utilizing shelter temperament assessment tools";

Steve Zawistowski, PhD, Certified Applied Animal Behaviorist, Senior Vice President and science advisor of the ASPCA: "The genetics of behavior";

Nancy Campbell, Breed rescue chairman for the German Shorthaired Pointer Club of America and NAIA Director of Canine Issues: "The responsibility of breeders, owners and rescuers to assure that dangerous dogs are handled appropriately";

Robert Gloster, MD, FACEP, Board Certified in Emergency Medicine and Internal Medicine and member of the AVMA task force on canine aggression: "Epidemiological overview of scope and severity of dog bites in US: Magnitude of the problem";

AKC: Helping dog lovers become responsible dog owners; and

Assorted panels to discuss the impact of dangerous dogs on local shelters, citizens, and budgets.

Conference information

Conference Hotel

Cincinnati Airport Marriott
2395 Progress Drive, Hebron, KY 41048

Reservations

859-856-0166 or 800-696-0165; ask for the NAIA
Group or group code "NAI"
Special room rate: \$94/night

Registration Fees*:

NAIA Members:** \$100; Non-members: \$150
(Attach copies as needed)

Name: _____

Org: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

* Lunches included both days; dinner included on Saturday

** Members of NAIA member clubs are eligible for the member discount. Those who join with their conference registration are also eligible for the member price.

Enclosed: Registration fee for ____ attendees.

[] I want to join NAIA; please send information.

[] I can't attend but offer this donation to NAIA to support this valuable conference _____

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