

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 solutions

November 6-7, 2004
Cincinnati Airport Marriott
2395 Progress Drive, Hebron, KY 41048

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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 new homes?
- a member of a purebred rescue group?
- the victim of a vicious dog attack?
- a dog trainer or behaviorist?
- a responsible citizen frustrated with policies that fail to deal effectively with dangerous dogs and careless or negligent owners?
- ready to help local officials devise reasonable, enforceable laws and policies to protect your community without harming your right to responsibly own the dog of your choice?

If you answered yes to any of these questions, we have the conference for you.

On **November 6-7**, NAIA will gather 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.

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 with 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.

Who are the experts who will share their knowledge?

A representative from SPCA Cincinnati: *Breed bans pose difficult dilemmas for shelter directors.*

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

Dr. Carmen Battaglia, AKC Board Member, *AKC Companion Animal Recovery President*

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 of 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 Emergency Medicine and Internal Medicine and member, AVMA task force on canine aggression: *Epidemiological overview of scope and severity of dog bites in US;*

Noreen Baxter, AKC VP of Communications: *Educating for responsible dog ownership a community-based approach;*

Dr. Mary Burch, AKC Director, Canine Good Citizen program

Adrienne Lefkowitz, Humane Society of Hartford County (Maryland) Director of Administration: *What to do when a bad dog law comes to your town;*

Michael Hingson, National Public Affairs Representative, Guide Dogs for the Blind: *The power of the human/animal bond;*

Pam Sears, Hamilton County Prosecutor: *Enforcing dangerous dog laws one case at a time.*

Gary Clemons, DVM: *The veterinarian's role in identifying and solving dangerous dog problems;*

Nancy Hill, Spokane County Regional Animal Care and Control Services Director: *Dangerous dog laws that work;* and

Assorted discussion panels

Conference information

Conference Hotel

Cincinnati Airport Marriott
2395 Progress Drive, Hebron, KY 41048

Reservations

859-586-0166 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: _____

*Includes lunches both days & dinner Saturday

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